Miss Tisdall leaving for home after her brief appearance at Bow Street yesterday. (Photograph: Martin Mayer.)

Secrets case clerk

on unconditional bail

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

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Tisdall was reported to be
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The Foreign Office clerk accused of leaking a confiden-

tial government memorandum on the arrival of croise missiles

to The Guardian was remanded

on unconditional bail at Bow

Street Magistrates' Court,

Miss Sarah Tisdall, aged 23 and suspended from duties at the Foreign Office's main Whitehall building, appeared for the control of the contro

for little more than a minute.

charged under Section 2 of the

Official Secrets Act with

sing on the memorandum

She spoke only once, to tell

Mr Terence Maher, the magis-

trate, there was no reason why

Miss Tisdall, who lives in

Clapham, south London, was

not represented during the

hearing but afterwards she

spoke briefly to a solicitor who

was in court on behalf of The

Guardian. Later Mr Peter Preston, the newspaper's edi-tor, said: "We intend to be as

Miss Tisdall, who joined the

Foreign Office in 1980 and is

rated as Grade 10 on the

Diplomatic Service list, was

charged on Monday by Det Chief Supt Ronald Hardy, Mr

Hardy, of Scotland Yard's

serious crime squad, investi-

gated the leak after The

Guardian was forced by the

High Court to return the

helpful as we possibly can."

February '

next month.

yesterday

#### Tomorrow

French... Diana Geddes looks at the dispute in the Talbot car plant at Poissy which has shocked the French government.

. .toast. . . John Hennessy considers Torvill and Dean's high hopes of taking the European Ice Dance Championship.

.for breakfast. Profile of Frank Bough. presenter of BBC's Breakfast Time programme.



.with tea After the Boston Tea Party: Sir David Hunt reviews Professor Esmond Wright's book about the American Revolution. Plus Philip Howard on the biography of Robert Birley, former headmaster Eton, and Tim Heald with a notice of the new Gerald

## Chesterfield complaints of pressure

Members of the Chesterfield Labour Party selection com-mittee, which next Sunday picks the party candidate for the March by-election, have com-plained of "heavy mob" pressure being put on them.

#### China friendship with US hailed

Mr Zhao Ziyang, the Chinese Prime Minister, told President Reagan in Washington-friendship between China and the US was an important factor towards world peace Page 4

## Jail riot ends

A riot at Peterhead maximum security jail near Aberdeen ended when 12 prisoners surrendered after a rooftop a hall and started fires Page 2

## **Britoil order**

Britoil the former state oil corporation, has placed £30m order for part of an oil rig platform with an Americanowned yard. McDermott, at Ardersier, near Inverness

## Lagos deadline

Nigeria's new military regime has given today as the deadline for leaders of six former opposition parties to report to the police or be arrested Soldier-poet, page 7

## **Badger cruelty**

A poacher ordered to pay £1.085 after killing and ill-treating badgers was tracked down a wildlife protection group which received information

## Abbey reprieve

The break up of the Calke Abbey estate was delayed after the Government promised to consider easing the owner's £10m tax burden Page 3

## Faithful football

Football must rise above cheating and retain its faith in human nature. Jacques Georges. presi-dent of UEFA. said in his opening address in Paris Page 18

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James Cubitt .

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## Indefinite ban by miners 'would not harm economy'

By David Cross and Paul Routledge

The battle over miners' pay ame more acrimonious ves-Chairman of the National Coal terday with Mr Ian MacGr Board, Claiming that the overtime ban could continue for 20 years without harming the economy and Mr Arthur Scargill, the miners' president, claiming that it was "devastatingly successful".

At the same time, the coal board said that it was told by union officials that 900 men at Silverdale colliery, near Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, would be on strike at least until this

As miners returned to work at four pits where they were idle on Monday because of a strike by union rebels. Mr MacGregor appeared on the Independent Television News at One Programme to say that he could not improve on the board's 5.2 per cent pay increase offer. We have placed on the table back in October the money that we have. And there is nothing further to talk about in that

regard", he said. Asked how long he was prepared to go on seeing the overtime ban in force. Mr MacGregor said that as far as he was concerned it could go on indefinitely. "Our customers are being well served. We have some distortions in the movement of coal, but I do not have television's Breakfast Time anyone who has any problems,"

There was so much surplus coal in the world that the overtime ban could last 15 or 20 years before the country's coal stocks would be used up. Mr

**Briton died** 

in Soviet

gas blast

From Richard Owen

came as sharp disagreements

surfaced in Moscow over Soviet

claims that the pipeline, which

runs from Urengoi in Siberia to Western Europe, had been completed ahead of time and

was delivering gas to France

The Russians have been eage

to show that they could complete the project despite

American sanctions, but West-

ern businessmen involved in

the pipeline construction say

Sovict engineers have cut corners and the pipeline is not completely safe.

The Moscow office of Dresser

declined to comment on the

death of the engineer last October. The firm's Moscow

representative is in the United

States for consultations and is

not expected back until the end

Sources said the explosion

took place at a compressor station. Western firms including

Dresser. John Brown of Britain

and the West German firm

Mannesman are supplying gas

turbines and the compressor

on Jamuary 1 that the "first

cubic metres" had arrived in

France via the Siberian-Euro-

pean pipeline, but business sources expressed profound

scepticism, noting that only one

of the 41 compressor stations along the 2,800-mile pipeline was in working order and some had not yet been constructed.

Sources said Soviet em-

ployees were injured in the October explosion and suffered

On October 19 Izvestia

reported an explosion at a section of the pipeline near the

town of Sizran on the Volga.

The explosion occurred when a

bus driver started his engine

near a badly-welded join-

igniting leaking gas, it is not clear whether this was the incident in which the British

engineer died. Izrestia saiid

seven construction workers had

been punished, suggesting there

The Soviet media reported

stations to house them.

of the month.

New moves designed to overtime would continue until-intensify the industrial action in the mining industry are ex-pected tomorrow when leaders of the National Union of jobs and offered a substantial Mineworkers (NI IM) contain in payincrease. Mineworkers (NUM) gather in pay increase.
Sheffield to determine their Asked if ye next step in the three-month-old

Despite some evidence of rank and file reaction among well paid colliery winders, the NUM insists that its 11-week overtime stoppage is having an

The coal board's first and final pay offer amounts to 5.2 per cent from November 1

In Sheffield tomorrow union leaders will have before them arguments from moderate areas that the overtime ban and the pay offer should be put to a pithead ballot of the men.

But it is not likely that the union executive will bow to pressure from the better-paid miners who want a vote to call off the limited industrial action.

The Colliery managers and the pit management union have agreed to take part in coal board talks on measures to pull the government into a joint deal that would bring fresh cash into the industry.

Mr Scargill claimed on BBC programme yesterday, that the overtime ban had been spec-tacularly successful. "We have already lost approaching four million tonnes of coal in the mining industry and around £150m to £200m" he said. He

Asked if yesterday's morning newspapers were wrong in claiming that the ban was crumbling at the edges, Mr Scargill said: "Yes, they are, In fact, if anything demonstrates, the validity of our case it is the fact that we have a number of people saying unless we work excessive overtime we cannot live". I think that demonstrates far more eloquently than I can how bad paid miners really

Mr Scargill said that it was understandable that pit winders were becoming aggreived. He said that their situation would be recuified if miners received the kind of offers now being made in other industries.

• The trouble at Silverdale colliery continued when 320 men walked out on the after-noon shift (the Press Association writes).

A spokesman for the NUM's North Staffordshire area said that the men walked out because a winder who crossed their picket line at the weekend was operating the pit's lifting gear. The men, would meet today to decide then next move. The winders, who suspended

from the union on Monday by the executive of the power group, a separate body within the NUM, for trying to defy the ban and work overtime at the

## Hopes dashed for loan rates cut

By Frances Williams and Peter Wilson-Smith

day with the news that money A British engineer died when inflammable fluid exploded on growth accelerated last month the controversial East-West gas to hit the top of its permitted range. But a sharp, although, probably temporary, setback for the dollar on world currency pipeline, diplomatic and business sources confirmed last The dead man was named last night as Mr John Black-

adder, aged 52, who was employed by a Warrington based firm and on contract to now of \$1,3860 in the Far East, the the American multinational sterling clambered back to \$1,4070 before closing 35 points Dresser Industries. He died on October 16 at Usinsk, a small lower on the day at \$1.4015. town inside the Artic Circle, Although a little weaker against where he had been working for European currencies, the pound's trade-weighted index about four weeks.

In a statement last night closed 0.1 up at 81.8. Dresser denied that Mr Black-The main target measure of money, sterling M3, which consists of each in circulation adder had been working on the East-West gas pipeline and said the accident happned in an air and bank current accounts, tose injection system at a comby 1.25 per cent in the four pressor station.] weeks to mid-December ac-The disclosure of the tragedy

cording to provisional estimates from the Bank of England. This brings its rise since last February at an annual rate to 11 per cent, the upper target limit. The other two moncy measures already above the permitted band.

The poor money figures are not, however, expected to presage higher interest rates. Bank officials stressed that the latest figurer were particularly unreliable, because a longer than usual banking month had made it difficult to adjust for casonal variation.

Any remaining glimmer of ... The Treasury also appeared hope for an early fall in interest, auxious to defuse terms that in the rates was extinguished yester rates, pointing out that in the past six months sterling M3 has risen by only 7.9 per cent at an annual rate, compared with a

lower target limit of 7 per cent.

The repid growth of the money supply last month appears to be largely due to high markets took some pressure off, appears to be largely due to high the pound, after it fell to a bank lending, mostly to the record low of \$1.3860 over-personal sector, which may personal sector, which may After plumbing a new record £1,500m compared with £900m month before. Many lending is likely to pick up this year as companies borrow to finance expansion, putting the Government's monetary targets

> The medium-term financial strategy envisages a tightening of money growth to 6 to 10 per cent in the next target period,

In a day of violent syrations on the foreign exchange markets, the dollars ascent came to an abrupt halt. After hitting a 10-year peak in early Far East trading of DM2.85 against the Deutsche mark, the usual benchmark, the dollar met a wave of heavy selling in European markets.

Further intervention by the German central bank belped fuel the bout of profit-taking. The dollar tumbled as low as DM2.8020 but as calm returned it recovered slightly to close just over 1.5 plennigs down at DM2.8140, and dealers were still predicting further advances.

#### Beirut a priority when Shultz meets Thatcher

Lebanon and the future of the multinational peacekeeping force are likely to top the agenda when Mr George Shultz. US Secretary of State, meets
Mrs Margaret Thatcher at
Downing Street on Sunday
(Henry Stanhope writes).
Mr Shultz will be on his way to Stockholm, for the Conference on Disarmament in

Sunday's talks would be wide-ranging not confined to the Middle East. Howe presses PLO, page 4

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## Husain taken ill after installing new government

From Christopher Walker Amman

A sweeping reshuffle of the Government was announced last night to coincide with the reconvening of Parliament The new Prime Minister is Mr Ahmad Obeidar, aged 45.

King Husain of Jordan was admitted to hospital here last night suffering from a bleeding ulcer. He had shortly before sworn in a new Cabinet His condition was described



tempt of court after refusing to allowing abnormal discharge give an undertaking not to from Sellafield.

The company stockers and the company sto waste from the Sellafield (for-mer Windscale) nuclear plant in

A spokesman for British Nuclear Fiels, which manages he Sellafield plant, said yesterday that it was seeking to have a temporary injunction granted in November made permanent The application is to be heard by a judge in chambers tomor-

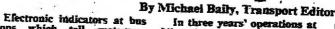
The renewal of the dispute d Obeidar, aged 45. between Greenpeace and the Earlier report, page 4 company has attracted interest

taking further legal action Government's announcement against the ecological group last month that it may be greenpeace, which was last prosecuted under the Radous month fined £50,000 for con- tive Substances Act, 1960 6

The company spokesman said that the past history of Greenpeace, whose members have said that their aim is so stop all discharge of confidence

Mr Peter Wilkinson, a direct tor of Greenpeace yesterday complained that the hearing would be in private. The "hole and corner approach was you cal of the way the company sought to stifle opposition he said. Greenpeace would fight it rescind the injunction and it force a hearing in public.

## Talking bus stops for London



stops which tell customers which buses are coming and when they will arrive are to be introduced by London Transport later this year in an attempt to beat the bus queues.

Using roadside microwave transmitters and bus-borne radios, the system, developed in France and made in Britain by Dowty, can also be used to speed up the bus service by giving priority at traffic lights,

and feeding information to a

central control on where buses

In three years' operations at a "dramatic increase in public confidence in the bus system" and a 7 per cent rise in the number of passengers, Dowty

said yesterday.

It is now being installed in Antwerp, Brussels, and Los Angeles. Several British cities besides London are interested in an experimental installation. The bus-stop indicators, which cost about £700 each, tell passengers which buses of the

routes serving that stop are on the way, and how long each will.

take to arrive. They do this either by a coloured light display, or by digitized work

Mr Brian Oliver, London Transport's bus systems engineering chief, said yesterday, "We are very interested in improving passenger information, and will be conducting detailed investigations this systems.

bus will come, they do not have to wait around at the bus stop

## **Elcher faces** y uprising

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Me Bill would give Mr Makin, Secretary of De Bas Environment. different fire autonomy of Apthonics to take of about the level and

of the temporary d be stong opposition to Bill as the Commons and college the Lords.

in Dublin yestertlay afternoon for talks with Mr. Michael Noman, tife Trish Justice

innent's "an ngly outbreak of arm-twist-by the Tory Cabinet" and day after Mr. Jack Straw, a junior Labour for the spokesman on the environment.

said ministers had given wildly

of County differing accounts of the impact

sominated of rate demands on business.

The Department of most the Environment publicly replied busines profits, but less than a

chairman of formight earlier it had said in a private letter leaked by Labour MFs that they equalled half of profits and yesterday MFs that they equalled half of profits.

MFS they equalled half of profits and yesterday MFS that they equalled half of profits and that the worst Jeakin an explanation of the way in which you have fiddled your figures to suit your case. A department official sid the high figure was calculated after providing for depreciation and the low one before:

· Four London borough ireagrackly dropped impoden's rate bill could be cut London Council was abolished immediately.

The Treasurers work for the cils of Westminster, Bromley, Government's ap Wandsworth and Kensington and Special world abide by its and Chelsea. They were supported by Lady Porter, leader of Westminster Council, who said: The GLC is an unnecessary tier of local government in London leading to waste.

diplication and mefficiency

Mr John McDonnell, chairman of the GLC's finance committee called treasurers report a hotch-potch of hypothetical crystal-ball figures based on all sorts of unrealistic

Mr Regards Prentice, the met Labour mainter who is faces penalty.

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spending targer of £473.5m, but the conscil estimates it needs to spend £480m to maintain

## Security main issue in Prior's Dublin talks

bis parts of sceland and in Silvic was site main item on the agenda when Mr James. From the Northern Ireland creary, arrived unexpectedly

An Lister policeman was shot dead in a terrorist amoush last night as he came off duty.

The man a full-time member of the Royal Ulster Constabubury Reserve Force, was shot in his car at a roundabout at Newry, County Down. He was photographers to open the pale; to details were usued after on his way home from Warrenbut as they continued to pale; the meeting fun it is anticrossed point pouce station about five pictures he tried to past a the close consension along miles away.



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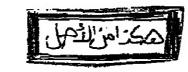
Fairfield Halls, Croydon on the 27 and 28 of this month, Note that at the Barbican, the programme also includes the cantata Prokoviev by on his htilliant and pioteering film. At the Royal Pestival Hall:

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# Chesterfield selection committee allges 'heavy mob' prosure

From Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Labour Party selection com- cratic process. mittee, the 125- strong group which next Sunday picks the party candidate for the March party candidate for the March by election, have complained of general committee." "heavy mob" pressure being

Wedgwood Benn, on the left, and Mr philip Whitehead. centry right, two experienced politicians who lost their seats in the general election last June.

It is also widely believed that there is little between the two men at the moment, in terms of votes, on the general commince which makes the final decision. and their supporters thererfore have everything to play for in attracting floating voters and winning defections.

The complaints are being levelled particular against the more exuberant supporters of one of the runners on the six-

It was alleged yesterday, for example, that "extremely coercive telephone calls" had been placed to some general committee members.

Mr Terry Hawkins, Chesterfield party vice-president, who is in charge of the selection procedure, said last night that he would not tolerate any such

Chesterfield

The Conservative candidate

in the Chesterfield by-election

will be Mr Nicholas Bourne, an

unmarried barrister, aged 31, who fought the seat in the

He was educated at King

Edward VI School, Cheimsford,

Essex, the University of Wales in Aberystwyth and Trinity

He was called to the bar by Gray's Inn in 1976 and has been

supervisor in law at St Catha-

rine's and Corpus Christi

Mr Bourne is company secretary and legal tutor for Chart Foulks and Lynch in

London, which he claims to be

course organization in Britain. When Mr Bourne fought Mr

Eric Varley in the 1983 general

nection, on virtually unchanged noundaries, he brought Mr

arley's majority down from

oldest correspondence

general election last June.

College, Cambridge.

Colleges in Cambridge.

Members of the Chesterfield interference with the demo-He said: "I would take stern is in Chesterfield on

Another pressure which is all Union of Mineworkcausing concern in the Chester. put on them.

Most sources agree that the contest will be between Mr contest will be between Mr contest will be between Mr committee meeting that all six and Association on the

> candidates should speak to the ing to do with the by-elec-press or seek publicity which might influence the general come of Mr Benn's op-committee and that the only arts express the strongest leaflet which would outline the that in what They career of each candidate.

> in Wingerworth, just beyone the magers are expected to use southern edge of the constitution meetings to fullest advanency, tonight,

the wingerworth meeting has rinar be cited as evidence the Wingerworth meeting has rinar been arranged last September Certainly, Mr Benn's absence well before Mr Eric Varley has om the Commons has left the announced his intended resis scalled firm left leaderless

Tory candidate fought in 1983

Mr Nicholas Bourne

Barrister and writer.

the Chesterfield constituency, even after the general election.

Mr Bourne worked hard in

. Hawkins said that anmeeting, to be held at the ashire mineworkers' headhad also been arranged Vir Varley's resignation. Benn and Mr Clifford, the

nominee for Sunday's candidates should be asked to : of the mining industry at cease campaigning for selection meeting and Mr Benn's
It was decided that none of he was trisist that this has

But Mr Benn is due to the media, he is address a Labour Party meeting spicity and his campaign

Mr Walter Brown, Labour The other pressure is more Mr Walter Brown. Labours The other pressure is more assistant national agent and the national executive's official porters are arguing that it is with responsibility for the selection. said yesterday entical stature back in the about meetings outside the about meetings outside the national stature back in the about meetings outside the national stature back in the about meetings outside the national stature back in the about meetings outside the national stature back in the about meetings outside the national stature back in the about meetings outside the national stature back in the about meetings outside the national stature back in the about meetings outside the national stature back in the about meetings outside the national agent and the national agent agent and the national agent age constituency."

He said he had been told the said he had been told the said he had been told the said he said he said he had been told the said he sai

election procedure before this

in election and considered a part of 97 candidates."

Another party worker said:

He is the ideal candidate here.

Fric Varley has protected thesterfield for years from the labour Party. Now the electornic has a chance to see what

they are really like and to break

Mr Bourne takes a political interest in education, housing

and legal topics and has written

on picketing and parliamentary

Yesterday Mr Bourne said

that he felt the most important

thing about the present Govern-

ment was that people knew that

when it said a thing it meant it.

its attitude to the Common

Market and in demanding that

Britain's rebate should be paid.

The Government was right in

oting habit."

## a race apart By Rupert Morris

of the union does not want. The North Staffordshire That is why are insisting on a winders, whose unprecedented strike on Monday made 6,000

miners idle and embarrassed Mr Lockett is a quietly selfthe union leadership, consider confident man who talks in a themselves to be a race apart.

They are isolated not so much by their position at the matter-of-fact way about his attitude to the job. He lives in a council house with his wife Linda, who earns about £40 a top of the miners' earnings league but by the nature of their job. They spend their shift inside a glass cubicle week knitting and doing oc-casional cleaning jobs, and their two children Stephen, handling the levers and dials aged 17, who is an apprentice which control the lifts in which miners travel to and from their garage hand, and Karen, aged

Almost their only con cation is with the banksman who ushers people in and out of the cage and gives signals to the winder in his cubicle.

work.

"It is a boring job," Mr Charles Lockett, aged 36, who has been a winder at Holditch colliery for six years, says. He took it because we were guaranteed "six shifts". At £22.18 a shift, £2 more

than the basic surface wage with the six shifts at time and a half, that comes to about £145 a week. On top of that come incentive bonuses and extra overtime which take his weekly carnings to between £180 and £220, take-home pay between £120 and £140.

His last pay slip, without the sixth shift, or any other overtime, was for £123.30 before tax. £83.50 after tax. six shifts a week and now they

Mr Lockett says that he and his colleagues refused to join an overtime ban in the winter of 1982 and they did not suffer any recriminations then. They have an agreement with the National Coal Board to work were being asked by their own union to break that agreement. Mr Lockett, who lives at Wolstanton Road, Chesterton, and his colleagues feel they are having to pay the price for an overtime ban that the majority

Mr Lockett: "I doubt Scargill's motives."

They live comfortably. He drives an Austin Princess and his main indulgence is pho-tography, for which he has his own dark room. Their stereo was paid for out of Mrs Lockett's earnings.

When he was a lorry driver Mr Lockett did not join a union. He joined the NUM only because it was obligatory when he took the job with the coal board. His loyalty is to the winders' branch, not to the

"I doubt Arthur Scargill's motives," he says. "I think a lot of the union leaders' aims are just political."

was affected by production difficulties even before it opened, David Ryall, who took

the role of J Edgar Hoover,

broke an ankle and had to be

replaced by Michael Bryant, forcing the theatre to play 22

previews before a press night

which attracted dismal reviews.

standing ovations and packed

audiences, and then after the

"The previews had regular

## £220 pit rebels are | Joseph backs school economics lessons

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

A unit to promote the understanding, he said, and teaching of economics in should take human nature into schools was opened yesterday by Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, He said children should be given economic

Riot at Pithead Jail

awareness and understanding.
As it was they knew little about the economic facts of life. he told a gathering at London University's Institute of Education, where the new unit, the first of its kind, will be housed. "I hope the unit will bear in mind the ultimate simplicities, that there is a link between decentralized ownership and decentralized decision-making which is, after all, what we mean by free enterprise and capitalism, what I call free-

The minister, who was opening the economics research and curriculum unit funded by grant from the Banking Information Service, added that free enterprise and capitalism were, like democracy, the least bad methods yet invented for running a free society.

Sir Keith, whose remarks are likely to cause concern in education circles, said he did not want economics to be taught as a subject in schools. It should be allied to political

account

When he visited schools, he asked to be left with the sixth form, he said. A question he invariably asked was where jobs came from. "They are generally a vociferous lot but they do not have an answer to that.

"I would like there to be some understanding of the processes of economics in a free society, which is why I am here today.

Professor Denis Lawton, the institute's director, said it was most important for the universities to have freedom to teach what they thought best from a professional point of view, "not marxist economics or monetarist economics, not a condem nation of banks, nor a justifi cation of them, but economic literacy, plain and simple, free from indoctrination or bias. Secondary school head-teachers have welcomed Sir Keith's speech in Sheffield in

which he called for changes in examinations and the curricu-

They say that for the first time he has admitted the difficulties faced by schools and they welcome this "marked change of tone".

## Access acts against forgeries not unsafe

By David Cross

Access, the credit card company, is to introduce a rede-signed plastic card in the spring which it claims will be almost The secret of the revamped

card will be the addition on the front of a hologram logo which should be impossible to imitate. The hologram, which is a three dimensional picture etched by a laser beam, will consist of the letters MC against the background of a globe.

Access said last night that the purpose of the hologram was to pre-empt the possibility of a ash of counterfeit cards. Forged credit cards were a big problem in the United States.

It is expected to take two years for all 6,800,000 British Access cardholders to be given the new redesigned cards. From March 1, all new members and those with expired cards would notices, alas, the audience fell be entitled to the new card. Initially, they will have to be imported from the United States because hologram technology is still in its infancy in

and to face the further rura

member state which along with

## **Designers** say bridge

By Tim Jones

As political pressure mounts in South Wales and the West Country for a second crossing of the Severn, the company which designed the existing bridge has replied to "derisory and ill-informed" criticism that has fuelled fear that the structure is unsafe. Mr William Austin.

partner in the firm of Freeman Fox and Partners, said: "No part of the structure is showing signs of distress from overload. ing as the public have been aisled into believing. The bridge is in good condition and quite able to carry the traffic so vital to developments in South

His company believes that Mott, Hay and Anderson, joint neineers when the bridge was built, had made wrong assomptions when it said in a report that the bridge could collapse under certain conditions.

Mr Austin said that by the turn of the century traffic growth-may mean that asecond crossing is required. "With the present periods needed to plan such a facility, the study for a rossing should soon be undertaken so that the lines of suitble approach roads can be safeguarded against develop-

Next month a delegation representing local authorities from both sides of the river, essment and trade unionists is travelling to London to meet Mr Nicholas Ridley. decline and depopulation that would ensue.
In West Germany, the EEC Secretary of State for Trans-

Last night the Department of Transport said it could not comment on Mr Austin's

## Peterhead prisoners surrender after riot

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A riot at Peterhead maximum security prison near Aberdeen ended yesterday when 12 inmates surrendered after a rooftop protest.

At one point 56 prisoners occupied A hall in the jail. Forty-four were removed after staff wearing believes and carrying shields stormed the building.

Staff managed to talk four men down from the roof just

after 2 pm, and the other eight followed just over an hour later. Officers had made conditions uncomfortable by training two hoses on the roof. The violence erupted at 10

pm on Monday after a rec-reation period. The prisoners evicted staff from the hall and barricaded themselves in. Several fires were started.

The rest of the prison, which houses 300 of Scotland's toughest criminals, was reported quiet. An inquiry is to be

Last night the governor, Mr Alfred Smith, said that the prisoners had given no indi-cation of why they had started He added: "Conditions are

not the cause of this or any riot. Here we have a lot of long-term prisoners. It is inevitable that among them there will be men who are not prepared to serve their sentence. Obviously this thing had been preplanned."

He said that the prison hall was no longer usable and prisoners had been transferred to other parts of the jail. Peterhead's A hall has a reputation for trouble. Fifteen

officers were injured last October when prisoners rioted, using makeshift weapons. The officers had tried to break up a fight between two prisoners. In May, 1982, four officers

were injured after being attacked by seven prisoners and in 1979 there was a riot which lasted four days, when 31 prisoners went on to the roof in protest at what they described as "inhuman conditions". There have been three other 1977. After the riot in 1979 a

special unit was set up at Peterhead, but it has done little to solve the prison's problems.

## Morning Star bids for work By Barrie Clement Labour Reporter

The cooperative which owns the Communist Morning Star is seeking printing work.

Management is spending at least £850,000 on new equip-

ment and rebuilding a press room which will reduce the Morning Star to a tabloid, like The Sun and the Daily Mirror. and open the way to commercial contracts. Ms Mary Rosser, chief

executive of the newspaper and secretary to the management committee of the People's Press Printing Society, which owns the Star, said the decision was dictated by business logic, "As a cooperative society we would like to print for the labour movement, but we also have to save the 200 jobs in the building."
She said that the facilities

would be open to anyone, providing the price was right and they did not want to produce "racialist or fascist" material. Despite the contention of the

Star yesterday that the idea was about ten years in gestation, the decision marks a significant divergence from communist orthodoxy.

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The new press, a British-made Urbanite Mark 2 representing the latest technology. according to the Star, will be inanced partly by the offer of E100,000 of shares in the PPPS. A leasing deal has also been negotiated with manufacturers Goss, of Preston.

 Mr Derek Jameson resigned as editor of the News of the World yesterday, just weeks before the newspaper is due to go tabloid. Mr Nicholas Lloyd, editor of

the Sunday People, will replace him. Mr Lloyd, former assistant editor of the News of the World and The Sun, will mastermind a new design for the newspaper.

Mr Jameson, aged 54, who was appointed editor two years ago, has, according to its parent company. News International resigned to pursue other interests.

## Chess struggle fiercer From Harry Golombek, Chess Correspondent, Hastings

As we near the closing stages 515 and one adjourned; Short on the Ace Grandmaster Tour-nament, at Hastings, the struggle becomes even fiercer -but the home players are still

much to the fore.

The leader of the tournament. Speelman adjourned his game after a hard struggle against Ftacnik with a pawn

down. Jonathan Mestel gained the lead by winning in good style against Csom.

Hebden endeavoured break the hold Karlsson exerted over the game by violent means, but these merely pre-

cipitated the end. Scores at the end of round 12: Mestel 8: Speelman 71/2 and one adjourned: Karlsson 71/2; Heb-

den 614; Martin and Suba 6 and one adjourned; Csom 6; Flacnik

51/3: Kudrin 5 and one adjourned; Ivanov and Sax 5: Gurevich4; Alburt 3 and one adjourned.

Round 12 results: Alburi adjourned against Suba. QP Catalan system 41 moves Flaenik adjourned against Speelman, Queen's Gambit declined 40; Ivanov & Sax & QP Nimzoindian Defence, 11 Martin adjourned against Kudrin. QP Benoi Defence, 45; Karlsson I, Hebden O, English Opening 37; Mestel 1, Csom 0 Sicilian Defence 33: Short !. Gurevich O. Sicilian Defence 38.

Adjourned games results round 11: Gurevich 0. Mesiel I. 64: Csom 1, Karlsson 0, 46. Hebden 1, Martin 0, 73; Sex 1, Fracnik 0, 54,

## Metro fitted with new safety tyre

By Clifford Weab, Motoring Correspondent

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patent restrictions on the new

tyre and wheel system in the

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In this way they hope to

overcome the reluctance of car

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Metro.

Print union blamed for

closure of company

propoly supplier. (The Deno-

There are two new models in

the 1984 Metros, a limited edition 1.3 Moritz and a 1-litre

City X, replacing the standard

The 1983 prices are being held across the range, except for the Moritz which costs

£4.325 and comes equipped with a ski jacket and holdall to

match its metallic silver or

monza red paintwork. Only

Thomson, managing director of

Coastal Press.
Last night, Mr Thomson said:

"We then had to return to

double key stroking, and we

found ourselves being forced into taking on additional NGA

staff. I was presented with a situation where I had no alternative but to recruit more

NGA staff, double the amount

we actually needed to produce

Motorcycling Weekly, despite

weekly sales of more than 35,000, suffered heavy financial

losses. In six weeks it overran its target budget of £60,000 by

Mr Thomson claimed that

the costs of paying salaries and

overtime to extra unnecessary NGA staff were largely to

Announcing the closure, which has caused the loss of 34

jobs. Mr Thomson said that the

breakdown of the original understanding with the NGA had resulted in the loss of

several printing contracts, and had discouraged the company's

financial backers.

more than £32,000.

Austin Rover's Metro, the best selling small car in Britain for the past two years, will be the first in the world to be fitted with a new high performance safety tyre developed by Dun-

lop and Michelin. The TDXE will appear on updated Metros now arriving in showrooms. They are being manufactured at Fort Dunlop, Birmingham, and by Michelin in Dundee. But Dunlop will supply all special wheels which have been developed from the fast-disappearing Denoto-run flat tyre.

Michelin said yesterday that since 1977 only drivers of highperformance cars had been able to enjoy the better grip, improved braking, higher milage and more comfortable ride of its low-profile TRX tyres. These advantages were available to the family motorist. with the added advantage of new development to prevent a tyre leaving the rim after a hurst. It can be driven at up to 40 mph in this condition for a

A newspaper that represented

a breakthrough in the use of

computer technology in the

newspaper industry was closed

last night. The former managing

director blamed the National

Graphical Association (NGA)

Motorcycling Weekly was one of several titles published by

Coasial Press, which ceased

for its demise.

## An aprated tax version will be fitted to Jaguar's XJ14

His agent said: "He never dropped the division, like so randidates would Mr Bourne many do, and was very popular prefer to fight? "Its largely with party workers. Even so, irrelevant. We are going to they went through the full win."

lightweight saloon when it is launched probably early next year. Porche and BMW are Lime Grove, west London, voted for stoppages from Monday over new technology. Michelia and Bunlop bave taken the unusual step of lifting

BBC has refused. Journalists at Lime Grove,

Independent Television News resulted in the company offering more than 2 per cent in return for the introduction of computer newsgathering.

## intensify **BBC** threat

offer, which could disrupt flights this week.

By a Staff Reporter

which produces Sixty Minutes, Breakfast Time, Newsnight and Panorama, voted 69-9 for

and maintenance staff at Heathrow are threatening lightning strikes over the airline's pay

# **Journalists**

The BBC came closer to losing some of its news and current affairs programmes yesterday when journalists at

Talks are due to restart at Acas, the arbitration service, today. The National Union of Journalists has offered to go to binding arbitration, but the

industrial action if the dispute remains unresolved. The action could black out any BBC news The union wants arbitration because a similar move at

British Airways engineering

## 'Seberg' to end run early The National Theatre's ill- Marvin Hamlisch and a script

fated musical of the life of Jean by an American, Julian Barry. Seberg is to close in April, months earlier than expected. The theatre was anxious to

quell rumours that the show was failure, but its early demise after six months is in contrast to the National production which will take its place in the Olivier, Guys and Dolls. That award-winning production is to play at the theatre

records for three months before transferring to a West End run which seems certain to make it one of the most successful NT shows ever.

where it broke box office

off," an NT spokesman said yesterday. "The production has drawn only half to two third full houses since, which is not considered enough to sustain a run beyond April."

Jean Seberg, with music by

## EEC agriculture: 3 The case against dropping CAP

In the third and final article on farmers in the EEC It was recently reported that members of the right-wing Adam Smith Institute had been correspondents of The Times in other European capitals look at the question of whether the common agricultural invited to the Foreign Office to policy can and should be reformed, or simply abolished discuss possible changes in British foreign policy. There is no sign, however, that the Treasury, the Minister of Agriculture or, for that matter, the Foreign Office is similarly

views on the EEC.
What these libertarian freemarket economists and their parliamentary champion, Mr Richard Body. Conservative MP for Holland with Boston, want is nothing less than the wholesale dismantling of the Common Agriculural Policy.

keen to hear the institute's

The report which they pub-lished last November also advocated the abolition of several British institutions which long predate the EEC, such as the marketing boards.

It is a view which finds echoes across the political spectrum. Last month, for example, the Socialist Countryside Group also published a report claiming that public investment in farming was unfair and expensive and did

The common ground shared by left and right is opposition to

be in Europe's interests to dismantle the CAP, and to put its food on world markets at the cheapest prices available, has several important flaws. The first may be described as strategic. Whatever the CAP's failings, it has boosted self-sufnot produce what the public

Memories of Britain's depen-

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ficiency.

taxpayers, who are paying twice over in the form of higher food

une CAP, which is seen to put Atlantic convoys during the unneccessarily large sums of money into the wrong pockets, at the expense of consumers and the expense of consumers are supplied to make some the convolution of the liance on overseas supplies. Secondly, it is open

prices and subsidies for surpolicy is altogether a good thing. pluses bought into intervention and either stored in "moun-tains" or sold at a loss. The various agencies which try to relieve famine in the Third World are agreed that. Food industry representatives repeatedly claim they are apart from the weather, the biggest problem faced by farmbeing squeezed between high raw material costs and the centralized purchasing power of ers in underdeveloped countries is their inability to earn a decent return on cash crops, forcing their most important customers, the supermarket chains. them to return to subsistence cultivation and starving their However, the superficially fellow countrymen of indigenattractive notion that it would

ous food supplies.

with a notably fertile soil and climate and, as its industrial preeminence wanes, its agricultural productivity may well come to be seen as a boon rather than an embarrassment.

ments to abandon their larmers

Britain has the gravest reservations about the CAP, the altogether. Edited by John Young. Christian Democratic Government draws much of its strength from the farmers of Bavaria and the south. If abandonment of the CAF is impossible, however, its reform is none the less impera-

question whether a cheap food ive. Even the main French farmers' union, the FNSEA, grudgingly concedes as much. The Commission's preferred method of dealing with the dairy surplus is a so-called superlevy of about 70p a gallon on all milk production which exceeds 1981 levels. The Government of the Irish Republic claims it would mean

will veto the proposal; more-over, Northern Ireland farmers Western Europe is blessed have said that, if the republic is exempted from the levy, they must have a similar concession. It would be a bitter irony if reform of the CAP foundered on, of all things, the Irish Thirdly, it would be politi-cally impossible for EEC goven-

Concluded French olive branch, page 6

the ruin of its vitally important

dairy industry, and has said it

and send it directly to the presses using computer ter-Newspaper proprietors have been trying unsuccessfully to introduce direct entry for years, as it is both faster and cheaper than other typesetting methods. But it has been vigorously opposed by the print unions, led by the NGA, who fear that new technology could largely eliminate the traditional printer. National officials of the NGA intervened after the news-paper's first issue, overruling a working agreement on direct

Last night NGA officials
contry made between the union's could not be contacted for any
comment.

trading last night. The tabloid, which was aimed at motorcycling enthusiasts, had lasted only six weeks. Its first issue had been produced using direct entry, or single key stroking, by

which journalists write copy

Britain set

for record

US tourist

invasion

By a Staff Reporter

ited States visitors this year,

the pound reaches new low

he dollar's fortunes have

is also a belief in the US

for long after this year's

he president of Mark Alian

l inc of Los Angeles. Anastasia Kostoff, who is

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ists Association, said: are one of the companies

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By a Staff Reporter

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# Poacher ordered to pay £1,085 for killing and ill-treating badgers

four diaries containing 200

pages of information were the only evidence on which the prosecution was based. The

police, acting on information,

raided his house looking for illegally held firearms but instead found the diaries.

clubbed to death.

Newton was said to have set

In his defence. Newton said

Mr Stephen Walker, for the

stock of the hunting fraternity

once it learnt that he had fabricated the claims in his

diaries. In any case, he had told

the court, he was overweight, no longer capable of hunting and

he was determined to give it up. Mrs Gill Hunt, aged 33, one

of the Plymouth wildlife group's

leading members, said that it was formed two years ago and

now had about forty-five

members, including policemen.

RSPCA officials, and veterinary surgeons who pooled their

efforts to counter the increasing

Mrs Hunt, whose husband is

activities of badger-hunters.

A "cunning" poacher who was ordered yesterday to pay £1.085 in fines and costs for killing and ill-treating badgers had been tracked down by a wildlife protection group which said that it had received information about him from other hunters shocked by his

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Members of the Plymouth RSPCA Wildlife Group, which keeps 24-hour watches on badger seits threatened by "hunters" saw Christopher Newton, aged 30, self-em-ployed of Plymouth convicted of eight of twelve charges relating to badgers at Totnes

magistrates' court in Devon. Newton was fined £100 on each of four charges of killing injuring or taking badgers in Devon. Somerset and Wales last May, and a further £100 on each of four more charge of cruelly ill-treating badgers.

He was acquitted on four counts of using artificial light to take badgers. He had pleaded not guilty to all charges and his solicitor said that he would

appeal against conviction.

Newton, married with three children, was described by the prosecution as a cunning and calculating professional poacher who has made enough money from hunting game to pay for his house in Plymouth.

Newton's downfall were his diaries and photograph albums in which he kept a meticulous record of the foxes, hares, badgers and deer he hunted with lurcher dogs or terriers

Father and

son clash

at tribunal

A father was dismissed by his

own son from the family paint-

spraying company, an industrial

tribunal was told yesterday.
The father. Mr Charles
Hoskins aged 57, of Mountain

View, Saltney, near Chester, claims that he was unfairly

dismissed. But the son, Mr Elwyn Hoskins, aged 35, told the tribunal at Colwyn Bay,

Clwyd: "He showed a lack of

interest and was completely irresponsible."

he founded the firm. Clwyd Commercial Vehicles, at Rhydymwyn, near Mold, in

1976, making himself managing director with 60 per cent of the shares. His wife, Wendy, was

Because he put up the money

Everything went smoothly

until 18 months ago when. Mr Hoskins alleged, his father had

failed to apply a new type of paint properly because he had

not read the instructions.

Sometimes he had not applied

Mr Charles Hoskins had lent

a new company car to another

son, who wrecked it while on

holiday, and the insurance

company would not pay out as

the vehicle was not being used

for the firm's business, Mr

Ridgway, who audited the

company's books, said that Mr

Charles Hoskins had been upset by the differential of salary

between himself and his son. He

had also wanted to sign cheques

Harry Day, asked whether a father might not sometimes

esent his son "being in a

Mr Ridgway said: "If that

were so it was not as obvious as

trying to play the honest broker between two people drifting

would have expected. I was

The case was adjourned until

position to tell him what to do".

The tribunal chairman, Mr

An accountant, Mr Carl

Elwyn Hoskins said.

remaining 35 per cent.

manual side of the business.

Mr Elwyn Hoskins said that

The court was told that the who were regularly raiding badger setts in the Plymouth

> She said that the group had been after Mr Newton for some time. "In the end some other people on the fringes of hunting in the area who knew about him were prepared to give us information."

## lurcher dogs on badgers or to have sent terriers into their sents where violent fights took place.

Frequently the terriers would be The RSPCA is waging a badly torn by the badgers which continuous war against the men sometimes were dug out, captured in tongs and then who illegally hunt badgers (the Press Association writes).

"It is a constant battle for us, that he had exaggerated and fabricated parts of his diaries to get a better price for his hunting up and down the country", Mr John Gordon a Plymouth RSPCA inspector, said after yesterday's hearing.

Sometimes the badgers are killed either by dogs or by their handlers, but sometimes they defence, said that Newton would become the laughing are kept for baiting sessions, in which dogs are set against the badger and men gamble on the strength and expertise of their animals as they worry the

badger to death. Mr Brian Carter, a writer and naturalist, said: "Sometimes the badger is dragged out of its sett with huge iron tongs. Then it is put into a sack, sometimes with its back legs chained, and released in a disused quarry, a backyard or garage. Dogs are set on it and men bet on the

gameness of the dogs. The badger dies in the end, but it could take an bour or longer. The dogs get hurt but to protect them, the men some-times break the badger's lower



Miss Sara Keays, former mistress of Mr Cecil Parkinson, leaving a London yesterday with their 11-day-old daughter Flora Elisabeth. Behind Miss Keay

Hopes fade

for cut in

home loans

By Peter Wilson-Smith Banking Correspondent

Hopes of lower mortgage payments for homebuyers took

general manager of Nationwide,

the third largest society, said

that in present circumstances

there was no reason to consider

While we can continue to lend at these levels, and while

we can continue to attract the

money, then rates will remain at

Earlier, Nationwide an-nounced its results for 1983

which showed that lending rose by 14 per cent to a new record

of over £1.5bn. Figures out later

this week from the Building

Societies Association are ex-

pected to show that lending by

all societies soared by over a

Continued strong demand for mortgages, together with the

general uncertainties over inter-

est rates, are the main reasons

why hopes of an early reduction

in the 11.25 per cent mortgage rate have progressively faded.

The big building societies fear that if they cut their interest rates, this would reduce the

intake of savings and make

mortgages more scarce. Al-

though mortgage queues have been falling. Mr English said yesterday that the societies were

still not attracting all the funds they needed to satisfy demand.

He also ruled out the possibility of any building society unilaterally cutting its

rates, as they are now free to do.

"No building society can afford to put itself at a competitive

disadvantage on its investment side by taking unilateral action

quarter to £19.5bn last year.

their present levels".

## a Plymouth veterinary surgeon, said that Newton had been one of about two dozen local men jaw. Hotels chief jailed for tax fraud

The managing director of the hotel group which runs the Bear Hotel at Woodstock, Oxfordshire, was jailed for a year yesterday, fined a total of £40,000 and ordered to pay £20,000 costs for his part in a £363,000 tay fraud

£363,000 tax fraud. Jeremy Porter's father, Cyril, aged 74, was also fined a lotal of £35,000 at Oxford Crown Court and ordered to pay £5,000 costs. Both were banned from managing any

company for two years.

The six hotels that Jeremy Porter, aged 42, controlled were fined a total of £230,000 - the Bear's fine being £100,000.

Sentencing Jeremy Porter, of Chesterton, Oxfordshire, Judge Kenneth Mynett, QC, said: "It is abundantly clear from what I have beard that the

company secretary with five per cent and his father held the major offender was you.

"At each of the hotels you directed and instructed the for the company he took a higher salary than his father, manager in the manner of carrying out these frauds. This as a matter of settled policy."

The case was the climax of a three-year Inland Revenue

Judge Mynett heard how the staff's wages were kept low and supplemented by tips and service charges, which were not

declared for tax or national Both men also admitted filling in false tax returns and living off company funds.

Mr Desmond Fennell, OC.

for the prosecution, said that

the private items charged to the company by Cyril Porter, who earnt £33,000 a year as a director, included antiques and landscape gardening at his home in Bladon, Oxfordshire. home in Biagon, Oxfordamic His "dynamic and am-bitions" son was ordered handmade shirts in London and

passed them off to the Inland Revenue as staff uniforms, Mr Jeremy Porter, who earned £44,000 a year as managing director of the group, also charged window-cleaning bills

for his house and his nanny's a futher knock yesterday when a television to the Bear. leading building society chief predicted that rates were un-likely to change in the first three The court was told that a large number of documents were seized by the Inland Revenue in a raid on the months of this year. Mr Cyril English, chief

group's Bicester headquarters. Both men have repaid all the money owed but were forced to put the Grove House Hotel on Merseyside on the market for any change in rates. There were some signs that interest rates in £265,000 last November to raise more funds.

the economy may be hardening and pressure on the pound was The other hotels in the group causing uncertainty. are: Wroxton House Hotel, Banbury; The Three Horse-He also pointed to the recent increase in mortgage rates by Midland Bank and Lloyds Bank as confirmation that the mort-Shoes, Rugby; The Royal Norfolk Hotel, Bognor Regis and the Auchendrane in Birkenhead. gage rate was not too high.

## Solicitor fined

• The former chairman of the group, Peter Wilson, a Lancashire solicitor, was fined £800 and ordered to pay £1,000 costs after admitting falsifying his tax returns in 1980 and 1981 while he was director of two

hotels, including the Bear. Judge Mynett, making it clear that Wilson's offences were not connected with the Porter case, told him: "It is always tragic to see a solicitor of the Supreme Court pleading

guilty to offences of dis-Porter, aged 52, failed to tell the Inland Revenue about six cases of champagne worth £369 bought for him by the Auchendrane botel in Birkenhead, which also paid some of

his personal American Express

Mr Fennell said that the

enpaid tax on the champagne totalled £63 and that on the American Express payments Mr Fennell said that the money involved was small but the offences were serious because Wilson, from Scaris

brick, Lancashire, had been clerk for 15 years to the St Helens division of the Inland Revenue commissioners.

# Break-up of Call

The breaking up of the historic Calke Abbey estate was postponed yesterday when the Government promised to see if it could do more to ease the owner's £10m burden of tax and interest.

The National Trust said after a meeting in London:
"There is still a very big question mark hanging over it, but we are glad that the door not entirely slammed

The meeting to avert the piecemeal sale of the estate was called by the National Heritage Memorial Fund and attended by officials of the trust, local conncils, Treasury and Department of the Environment and representatives of Mr Henry

Harpur-Crewe, owner of the 14,400-acre estate. They agreed that the estate, with its mansion of richly-filled rooms untouched since Victorian times, was worth saving for the nation and would best be handed over to the trust. But the trust needed £7m for

A working party was formed to report in little more than a month about final hopes of keeping the house, contents and immediate parkland intact. The key to the fate of Calke

given by officials of the

Government

dropped plans to overrule local council objections to a series of

new villages planned in the

Home Counties by a consor-

tium of the largest building

companies in Britain. Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary

of State for the Environment,

said yesterday: "There is no question of rolling back the

**BBC-IBA** talks

on direct

satellite project

By Bill Johnstone

**Technology Correspondent** The heads of the BBC and the

Independent Broadcasting Authority (IBA) met yesterday

in an attempt to agree on a joint

satellite project for direct television transmission.

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ment yesterday to re the tax status of the es Mr Harpur-Crewe tax interest is rising at more than £1,000 a da have ruled that o

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classed as "heritage land But Mr Brian Lang retary of the National Homemorial Fund and character would still be a wid to bridge even if more land classed as "heritage"

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Abbey and not Kedleston then I would immediately I to consider selling the beam art collection".

By Our Local Government Corres

between meetings with Council for the Protection

Rural England and the Hou builders' Federation about

vice to local councils allocations of land for housi

Two draft circulars were wi

drawn by ministers before Christmas in the face

Conservative protests that the would allow too much building

on unspoiled countryside.

Mr Robin Grove-Whit

# Abbey postpone

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general practitioner was hished yesterday for failvisit an elderly patient. iter died. General Medical Counprofessional conduct ttee ruled that Dr Shar Prasad, aged 50, of ton. Birmingham, had rded his responsibility s Mr Kariar Singh Sagoo. ndsworth, who died in 1981, about six months affering a stroke. Prasad was cleared of

professional misconduct ing to visit and treat Mrs m. of Handsworth. week before Mr Sagoo elatives, social workers district nurse had tried to

Derby Correspondent adds Lord Scarsdale said: leston Hall is 10 times beautiful than Calke Abbe the Government accepts C

a visit from Dr Prasad. tribunal heard that Dr had been suspended for ars from February, 1975. escribing for fees condrugs not needed for

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## en Belt

eting Mr Jenkin and Mr w. Minister for Housing Instruction: "New vilopen countryside like ecently mooted in the ast now look far less an six months ago." Hr Jenkin made it clear he Government was ned to help young who wanted to become ners.

of the council, said

## Experiment to slow M1 speeders

New powers to curb motorway speeders are to be tried out on the M1 in Northamptonshire ritain's tourist industry is this year (Our Transport Editor paring for a record influx of Writes).

In the experiment drivers who fail to reduce speed at roadworks will become liable to prosecution under special powers to be granted to Northamptonshire County Council by the

e 1983 a bumper year -2,275,000 transatlantic ellers visiting Britain in the Department of Transport. nine months of last year, pared with 1136,000 in the With 28 miles of the M1 and Il roadwork sites at present, le of 1982, encouraged by Northamptonshire is the obviexchange rate that had sped to \$1.44 by the end of 3. Now it is down to \$1.40. ous place to try a system for which the police have pressed for some time. Northamptonshire police claim half their s a result, travel firms in motorway accidents happen United States are persuadduring rain at roadworks be-Americans that now is the cause vehicles travel 100 close for a foreign holiday. to one another and travel too fast as they approach roadthe dollar will not ride

Normally the only enforceable motorway speed limit is the legal maximum of 70mph for cars. Special restrictions applied around roadworks usually 50mph but sometimes 40mph. 30mph or even 20mph - are merely advisory and can be ignored by irresponsible drivers with impunity.

## Jail for hoax bomb caller

Kevin Scott, aged 20, unem-ployed, of Langdale Close, Walworth, south London, who made a hoax 999 call to New Scotland Yard two days after the Harrods blast saying that a bomb had been planted in a West End hotel, was jailed for three months at Camberwell age '84 theme to coax rs beyond London, Ox-and Stratford-upon-Avon. Magistrates' Court vesterday.

Scott admitted the offence at a previous hearing

#### **Petition names** Lord Norwich

Mr Hugo Phillips, heir to Lord Millord, was granted a decree nisi in the London Divorce Court yesterday against his wife, Mary, in a petition naming Lord Norwich. They

had been married for 25 years. The 36-year marriage of Lord and Lady Allendale was also ended in the court after an undefended petition brought by

## Dean of York to retire

The Dean of York, Dr Ronald Jasper, is to retire in

August. Dr Jasper, aged 66, who is married with two children, will announce where he intends to spend his retirement at a press

#### conference temorrow. Prince to go to South Atlantic

Prince Andrew, who served as a helicopter pilot during the Falkland conflict, returns to the South Atlantic in April, to visit St Helena on the 150th anniversey of the island becoming a Crown colony.

#### Dr Arthur fund More than £8,000 has been

raised for an appeal fund in memory of Dr Leonard Arthur. the paediatrician who was acquitted at Leicester Crown Court in 1981 of attempted murder of a Down's syndrome baby. Dr Arthur died on Christmas Day from a brain tumour. Heart transplant

## A man aged 49 became the

eighty-first patient to receive a new heart at Harefield Hospital. Middlesex, yesterday, Mr Robert Nash, who is married with two children and lives in Shepperton, Surrey, is said to be making good progress.

## Road-building boost 'vital for cities' By Michael Baily

nployment 17.1%

Transport Editor Brother and Capital investment in the provincial conurbations must sister killed be increased rather than regirl for £24 A brother and sister were jailed for life at the Central

twentyfirst century.

Criminal Court yesterday for the killing of a schoolgirl during a £24 robbery. The Recorder, Judge Miskin, QC, recommended that Dennis Cunningham, a fanatical Elvis Presley fan, should

Cunningham, aged 31 and unemployed, of Maysoule Road, Battersea, South London, who tried to disguise his appearance by having his Presley bairstyle altered afterwards, and Mrs Rosemary Clarke, aged 20, of Ingrave Street, Battersea, were found guilty of murdering Fiona McLaren, aged 14, at her home in Wandsworth, last June.

serve a minimum of 20 years.

Miss Ann Curnow, for the prosecution, said the couple. who admitted conspiring to steal but denied murder, were regular visitors to the girl's

When they found they did not have the fare for a journey to Darlington, they went to the, girl's home.

Miss Curnow said they played "an exceedingly macabre game", flicking a rope around the girl's neck before

stabbing her to silence her and

rifling a meter.

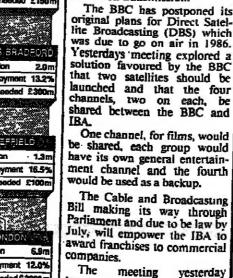


programmes may be delayed while district councils take over The study adds that without capital projects only; trunking the responsibility for infrastructure from the metropolitan Calling for more government finance for urban investment, poor public transport, and Mr Tony de Boer, federation higher than average unemploychairman, said at a London

ment year on urban roads and public present economic realities and nyest now in essential urban transport investment doubled, and proposes, inter alia: making nfrastructure to meet the needs of the late twentieth and early

more investment: the conur- of more roads in urban areas, as bations will continue to suffer is to be done in London, and from urban decay, poor en- more 100 per cent grants to vironment, traffic congestion, speed up local authority road construction; and more flexibility in the use of transport land, for example by converting press briefing yesterday: "The The federation wants present under-used rail lines to all-pur-Government must face the expenditure of about £1,500m a pose or limited-access roads or

the transport supplementary grant in England applicable to . London WC2A 2HG.



between Mr Stuart Young, chairman of the BBC, and Lord Thomson of Monifieth, chairman of the IBA, is an indication of how important the issue had become. It is thought that no decision was taken. The BBC's original plan was for a two-channel system, built by Unisat - a consortium of British Aerospace. GEC-Mar-

coni and British Telecom - and would cost the corporation £170m investment capital and a further £180m operational costs over the seven-year life expentancy of the satellite.



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He added: "We stand on common ground in opposing onism and interference the affairs of independent states. We are united by our iment for international peace and our OAU trying Moscow aggests chemical ban

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esterday to persuade the Chad

Government and rebel leaders

to join talks aimed at ending

their country's 18-year civil

atic sources said.

The talks, sponsored by the Organization of African Unity.

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Mr Zhao Ziyang, the Chinese Prime Minister, told President

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Zhao said. President Reagan at

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visit to the United States is the smooth path". first by a Prime Minister of People's Republic.

Reagan at the start of their talks coexistence of China and the Both the President and # 37 attacks on Peking by the Prime Minister spoke in was culminated yesterday terms about the growing Sire accusations by Pravda and US relationship, particularly sala that China was in the

US relationship, particularly that that China was in the the economic, trading at cess of cementing close technological fields.

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new ground.

The proposal, published is arms control negotiations.



In line: Mr Zhan and President Reagan at a full state ceremony on the White House lawn to welcome the Chinese leader yesterday.

#### Italy fêtes the son of a Beirut streetsweeper important military activity in Europe right up to the Urals is

Italy has rolled out the red expet for the fortnight-long visit of Mustafa Hawi, 12-year old sea of an unemployed streetsweeper in Beirut, who has been adopted by the Italian

Immediately after his arrival on Monday evening he was received at the Quirinal Palace by President Pertini, then by the Prime Minister, Signor

Mustafa, one of 13 children, was found, with a hand injury, by Italian soldiers near the Palestine camp of Chatila. He was looked after and fed, and learnt Italian so well that he

Pertini around on his visit to Reignt in November. Mustafa is accom his father, who has little to do now that Belrut's streets are littered with everything but waste paper and cigarette es Mustafa hopes to study medi-cine in Italy

The money for his studies should be available as 84 million lire (£35,000) has been on on his behalf by a 22-year old unemployed worker from near Naples, Signor Engenio De Maio. This was the prize put up in a television show by a Jewish-owned north Italian distillery, to be spent, not by

## Howe presses PLO to join search for Middle East formula

Rivadh (Reuter) Arabia yesterday for talks with King Fahd after urging the Palestine Liberation Organization to join political moves towards a Middle East peace

Sir Geoffrey's tour of key Middle East capitals began in Cairo where he saw President Mubarak of Egypt for an hour

yesterday morning.

He will go on to Damascus for a probable meeting tonight or on Thursday with President Assad of Syria.

Arab moderates such as Egypt and the Saudis see his tour as a chance to ask Britain and its European allies to urge the US to press Israel to stop building settlements on the West Bank and negotiate with the Arabs, diplomatic sources

The official Saudi press igency quoted Sir Geoffrey as saying on arrival in Riyadh that there were hopeful signs for progress towards peace in the region, after some months of

stagnation.
The European Community and inoderate Arab states had an important role to play in furthering a peace process which should recognize the rights of all parties involved; he

Sir Geoffrey earlier told reporters in Cairo that the

Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign self-determination had to be Secretary, arrived in Saudi recognized, but that the PLO must move to recognize Israel's

The Palestinians and the PLO have to be associated with prospects of achieving a settlement ... " he said. "There is certainly a need to recognize in

one form or another the rights

of the Palestinian people to self-

determination." But, in a plea for the PLO not to revert to violence to achieve its aims, he added: "It is also important for the PLO to recognize the legitimacy of the state of Israel and to recognize the importance and legitimacy of progress by political, and not

The PLO has been split by factional fighting between sup porters of its chairman, Mr. Yassir Arafat, and radicals demanding a return to all-out

armed struggle against Israel.
Mr Arafat has been holding a series of meetings with loyal PLO leaders on future strategy since being forced out of Lebanon by the Syrian-backed radicals last month.

Sir Geoffrey also said after his talks with the Egyptian President that his Middle East tour came at a time of particularly important develop-ments - Mr Arafat's meeting with President Mubarak and the reconvening of Jordan's parlia-

## Women to get vote as Husain reshuffles

A sweeping reshuffle of the that, after intense political activity, the new Cabinet would ordanian Government is expected within the next 24 hours present its programme to Parliament when its regular, as o coincide with King Husain's controversial decision to reconopposed to extraordinary sesyene Parliament and call a King will make his first speech general election on the East Bank for the first time in more from the throne since 1967. han 16 years.

It is understood that new legislation is being planned which will give Jordanian women the vote for the first time and enable them to stand for the 30 seats to be contested. Officials said King Husain had planned the move in 1967, but t had been shelved when parliament was prorogued after the Israeli conquest of the West

According to Jordan's semi-official press, the Prime Minis-ter, Mr Mudar Budran, will be replaced by the former head of the security service. Mr Ahmad Obeidat now Minister of the

The Jordan Times reported

## Why typist fails to measure up

From John Earle

Signorina Antonella Crielesi a shorthand typist aged 29, is not tall enough to stand up to the job. She has been dismissed after six months working in the prison governors office at Volterra, Tuscany, because her employers discovered that a Fascist law dating back to 1940 demands that all state emdemands that all state em-ployees must be of a stature not inferior to one metre 60 centimetres (5ft 3in), belong to the Aryan rate, and be members of the Fascist Party".

The second two conditions are considered to be no longer-valid in republican Italy, but the first evidently is. Signorina. Criclesi had to present a "certificate of stature" signed by a doctor, from which it emerged that she was only one metre 55% centimetres tall metre 55½ centimetres tall – about 5ft lin – over 4 Statements have been issued

by Signor Mino Martinazzoli, The Minister of Justice, by trade union leaders and by the prison immates saying the requirement is ridiculous. But the law is the law. Signorina Criclesi says she is appealing to President Pertini. writing to Pertini immediately", she went on. "Otherwise I don't know what to do. I

was so happy, after 10 years had at last got a job. For me it meant independence, and the possibility of getting married without finanacial worries." The Justice Minister said it

was a bureaucratic ridiculous and anachronistic situation" and promised to see what he could do.

But legal experts predicted it might not be an easy task. A new decree, if not a new law, would probably be necessary to annul the existing one, and then it might be difficult to make it retreactive to apply to Signorian Criclesi's case.

## Date named for Beagle accord

Rome (AFP) - The heads of the Argentine and Chilean delegations involved in nego-tiations over the Beagle Channet dispute met at the Vatican in the presence of two papal mediators, to put the finishing touches to a document in which they undertake to conclude negotiations "within a relatively brief period".

The document is expected to signed on January 20.

popular discontent in a country where open criticism of the monarch is not encouraged. Mr Obeidat was chief of Jordan's efficent general secur-ity service, the Mukhabarat, between 1974 and 1982. Western sources say the plan reshuffle the Cabinet is linked to the recall of Parlia-

sion, opens here tomorrow. The

More than 1,000 local digmi-

Under the constitution, the Prime Minister is appointed by the King and traditionally he often has to bear the brunt of

taries have been invited.

ment and is intended to bolster Jordan's internal stability in preparation for the next stage of he peace process, Husain backs Arafat, page 10

## **Diplomatic** shakeup by Grenada

A new Grenadian High Commissioner in London to replace Mr Fennis Augustine, who has been dismissed, will be armounced soon, according to officials of the interim advisory council in the island. Meanwhile, Grenadian interests will be looked after by the Eastern Caribbrean High Commission. (Henry Stanhope writes).

Envoys to Ottawa, the United Nations and the Organization of American States are among others who have lost their jobs. A statement by the connail added that the embassies in the Soviet Union and Libya had been closed. The missions in Washington and New York have been reopened.

## A-bomb plan to level mountain

Riverside, California (AP) -Federal officals proposed to use 22 atomic bombs to level a mountain in the Mojave desert. in 1964 to clear the way for a road, according to newly-released government documents published by the Riverside Press-Enterprise.
The plan, later dropped for

budgetary reasons, was to use the bombs to clear 68 million cubic yards of the Bristol Mountains and save 15 miles of highway construction.

#### Molester freed San Francisco (Reuter)

Charges against a man who admitted sexually molesting his adminted sections in the grant again refused to testify against him. She spent nine days in a windowless cell after her first

## Envoy named

Mr Robin Fearn, aged 49, who was head of the South America Department at the Foreign Office when Argentins invaded the Falkland Islands. has been named British Ambassador to Cuba.

## Plane crashes

Managua (Reuter) - Two pilots and three mechanics died when a Nicaraguan Air Force plane crashed 30 miles from here, the Defence Ministry said.

Second thoughts Bonn - An East German who

isked his life and swam the icy River Havel to West Berlin. undetected by East German border guards; changed his mind and returned to East Berlin after a telephone conversation with his grandmother.

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to be presented to the Stock-

holm conference next Tuesday.

the Nato Council in Brussels

yesterday by Mr James Goodby,

he chief American negotiator at

the 35-nation conference. While

refusing to give any precise

details about them, he said afterwards that he believed they

could help to reduce even further the "very, very small

risk indeed" of a war in Europe.

The proposals centred on ways of exchanging information

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(Ian Murray writes).

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## US recognizes the Vatican

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Overriding strong objections by Protestant churches and civil libertarians, the Reagan Administration yesterday estab-lished full diplomatic relations with the Vatican, ending 116 years of unofficial ties.

The action was announced jointly by the State Department and by officials at the Vatican. The US became the 107th nation to establish full diplomatic relations with the Holy

Shortly after the announcement, the White House named Mr William Wilson, a California businessman and long-time associate of President Reagan, as American Ambassador, Mr Wilson, who has served as the President's unofficial envoy to the Holy See for the past three years, had been among those campaigning for the establish-ment of full diplomatic re-

The Vatican's Apostolic Delegate to the US. Archbishop Pio Laghi, is to become the Pro-Nuncio lo Washington.
The move had been expected

since November when Congress repealed an 1867 law prohibit-ing the use of federal funds to maintain a diplomatic mission to the Papacy.

Some churches and pressure groups had lobbied hard to prevent the establishment of full relations, arguing that it would violate the constitutional

Jewish Congress also opposed settled in that context". the move on the ground that it would be a mistake for the controversial one. President Government to relate to a Truman nominated General particular church in a preferen- Mark Clark to become Ameri-

The Roman Catholic church, in 1952, but the storm this which has over 50 million provoked in Congress forced members in the US, has him to withdraw the pomicarefully avoided taking a nation.

position. Bishop James Malone. The main factor contributing president of the US Catholic to the change in mood is the Conference, commented diplo-



In harmony: The Pope with Mr Wilson in 1981, when relations were unofficial

The influential American has now been addressed and Senator Rich

The question has long been a can Ambassador to the Vatican him to withdraw the nomi-

matically yesterday: "It is not a the Pope has played since his principle of separation of church and state.

It is not a the Pope has played since his religious issue but a public accession, particularly in his was Britain's decision in 1982

Senator Richard Lugar (Rep. Indiana), a Presbyterian who led Congressional efforts to formalize US-Vatican relations. said the Pope deserved credit for transforming the Vatican into a "significant political force for decency in the world".

The establishment of relations would "recognize the Pope as a leader of a sovereign state that is playing an increas- however maingly important role in world ambassadors.

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Another influencing factor to establish full relations with the Vatican after a break of over four and a half centuries. ROME: Mr Wilson is due to

arrive on Friday, in time to attend the annual audience on Saturday which the Pope will give to the diplomatic corps (John Earle writes). The Holy See maintains

diplomatic relations with about 100 countries, not all of whom however maintain resident

Leading article, page 11 | number of soup kitchens

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An investigation ordered by President Reagan has concluded that reports of serious hunger in the US cannot be substantiated. It did not recommend any increase in federal spending on food

programmes.
The findings were released on the day the wealthiest suburban area of the US - and thus one of the richest parts of the world - announced a substantial increase in food

hand-outs. Montgomery County, Maryland, has the highest per capita income of any county in the US and is one of the favourite residential areas for professional people and senior huresuccests working in bureaucrats working in

Washington. The county has set up a 24-hour emergency food hotline for the hungry and is establishing three more warehouses for food for the needy. Last year 21.000 Montgomery County families received food or money for food, a record and triple the figure for 1980. figure for 1980.

Mr Charles Gilchrist, the county chief executive, said: "It is an outrage that hunger exists in this affluent county and this affluent country."

The findings of Mr Reagan's investigation, officially called the Task Force on Food Assistance, were widely con-demned by welfare organiza-

tions yesterday.

After three months of study,
the report said, there was little evidence of widespread under-nutrition, although on occasion people could not get enough food. "even if the shortage is not prolonged enough to cause bealth problems".

By contrast, a host of reports by charitable and quasi-official bodies in the past two years point to a big increase in the

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did not say whether

## Man killed by bomb in Corsica

Ajaccio (Reuter) - A man killed and another seriously wounded by a bomb in souther Corsica were probably victims of their own explosives, accord-

ing to the police. The devise they were handling in Capo di Muro, a village near here, apparently exploded prematurely late on Monday

Police thought the two were about to plant the bomb at the holiday villa of a Dr Jacques Aboulker of Paris. Eight other bomb attacks destroyed villas in southern Corsica, three of which belonged to senior French military officers.

## Prince dies

Bangkok (AFP) - Prince Souvanna Phouma, prime minister of Laos before the Communist victory in 1975, died yesterday in Vientiane at the age of 82, the Laotian Government announced. Obituary, page 12

## Cholera toll

Jakaria (AP) - Thirteen people died of cholera and 22 others were taken to hospital in Indonesia last week. The outbreak occured in late December in Irian Jaya, New Guinea, but was not reported in time.

China bus link Peking (AP) - A bus service between Hongkong and Fuz-hou, the capital of the coastal province of Fujian, 620 miles away, has begun, in China's first joint venture in mainland transport.

## Dainty dish

Paris (AFP) - A decree banning the sale of thrushes means that the regional delicacy, thrush pate, will disappear, but it could be replaced by pare made from starlings, which have been removed from the protected species list.

## Control of guerrillas key to Mozambique's relations with Pretoria

From Ray Kennedy, Johannesburg

Talks on guerrilla activity in Africa and its eastern neighbour South Africa and Mozambique have been hostile since Mozambique will be the key to discussions bique won its independence due to be held in both Pretoria from Portugal in 1975 and the and Maputo next Monday, Mr pro-Marxist Frelimo govern-R. F. Botha, the South African ment came to power. Foreign Minister, said yester-

anti-Government robels of the claimed thousands of lives, Mozambique National Resist- compelled President Machel. ance (MNR) are backed by during his extremely successful Pretoria and President Samora visits to London and other Machel declared last week that European capitals last year, to the rebels were no more than an pledge non-alignment in return extension of the South African for Western economic aid.

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the most important working political support for the ANC group will be the one on He said: "The aims of the ANC security which would seek are the aims for which all "practical ways and means of mankind fights. eliminating all forms of subver- BRUSSELS: The EEC

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group. Mr Botha said.

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Portugal, in particula In the past two years South took to play a key role in trying African forces have carried out to reestablish friendlier ties three raids on what it has between its former colony and described as guerrilla bases of South Africa. Lisbon has a the African National Congress considerable financial interest (ANC) in and around Maputo.

On Monday four working groups will discuss security which was designed to feed matters, economic relations, most of its generated power to

In Maputo last week, President Machel reiterated Mozam-Mr Botha said yesterday that bique's diplomatic, moral and

sion and violence" and to establish a mechanism for implementing and monitoring any security agreement.

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BRUSSELS: The EEC commission said yesterday it has granted 1.8 million european currency units (£1m) in emergency aid to Mozanbique (AP reports).

## Policeman tells Njonjo inquiry of arms imports

From Charles Harrison

A judicial inquiry into allegations that a former Kenyan minister. Mr Charles Njonjo, was being groomed by an unnamed power to become to close down more than half President of Kenya heard its the network of the S-Bahn first evidence here yesterday urban railway as soon as when a white police officer gave control of the section in the details of 93 firearms said to have been imported between 1963 and 1981 by an unknown Indonesian.

Mr Njonjo. a London-trained lawyer, who was Attorney-General of Kenya before retiring from that post in 1981, sat in the Parliament buildings as Senior Superintendent Douglas Walker listed firearms, ranging from hunting rifles to 9mm automatic pistols, for which Mr Lim Poo Hir, also known as Yani Haryanto, had been given import permits.

There was no hint of what connexion the arms might have

with Mr Njonjo. Mr Njonjo has consistently denied suggestions that he was disloyal to President Moi. He has been living quietly in Nairobi since being suspended from the Cabinet last year.

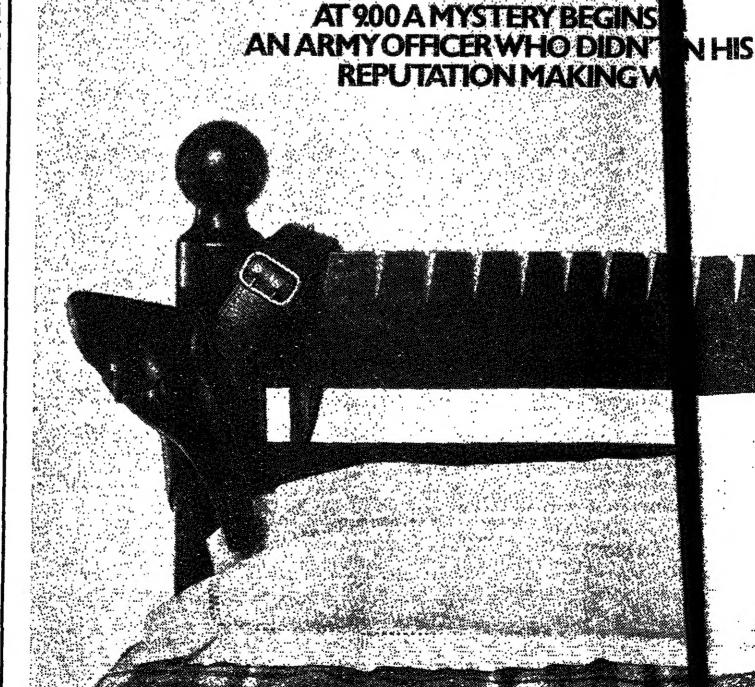
## West Berliners angry as city slashes rail link

From Michael Binyon

Strong protests have been ade by thousands of West Berliners against the decision of the city transport authority control of the section in the western part of the city passed from the East German Reichsbahn to authorities in the west.

The S-Bahn, controlled since 19.5 by the East Berlin-based Ministry of causport undergulations laid down by Allies, was boycotted after the building of the Berlin Wall in 1961 and hard deficit amounting last year to about DM 520m (£130m). The West Berlin transport authority is to make substantial repairs to the crumbling stations and track, but is now running trains on only 13 miles out of 46 in operation until

Environmentalists joined the Social Democratic opposition in Berlin in attack-



## 5.00 Television Scrabble.

Another round of television's newest word game, hosted by Alan Coren. After tonight's prize is guest celebrity Gloria Hunniford.

**5.30 Making the Most of...**How to make the most of your spare time without spending a fortune doing it. Today, the programme looks at stamp collecting, water colours, and microlight aircraft.

6.00 Abbott and Costello.

Bud and Lou help a neighbour with some amateur theatricals, with disastrous results.

**6.30 Everyone A Special Kind of Artist.**The second in a series of programmes about the creative skills within all of us. Melinda Perham, a housewife from the Devon port of Clovelly, has captured the life and beauty of the town on canvas and on seashore pebbles.

7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.50 Comment.

8.00 Brookside.

Alan and Samantha are busy planning their wedding.

**8.30 Mireille Mathieu Special.**The French singer hosts a lively song and dance show. Her guests include Petula Clark and Dean Martin.

he Devil's Lieutenant.

190°. The Austro-Hungarian Empire is at a th or power and of decadence. in Richard Mader, of the Imperial Army, receives on michard chauer, or the imperial Army, receives of capsules to improve his sexual prowess - but let is far more deadly. Who has poisoned Mader, does the scandal threaten the Empire itself? eson stars in Jack Rosenthal's elegant murder tonight, and tomorrow hight at 9.30.

merican Dance Machine. to American musical theatre choreothe last half-century.

KEEPYOUR EYE ON

# France holds colive branch in ert to end Athens afflict

OVERSEAS NEWS

France held out an olive the widespread complainment on reforms and branch to Britain at the end of yesterday's meeting of agriculture ministers in Brussels, the first council held under the new

French Presidency. M Michel Rocard, the French Michael Jopling his British opposite number, before the two went off for a private lunch. According to M Rocard, the British Agricultural Minister had shown himself aware of the no brass left."

question mark over Britain's "European credentials" and had made a statement which had dissipated any suspicions in this regard. Britain was clear on the need for reform. he said, but in a European context.

This compliment was clearly meant to help set the tone for the difficult negotiations ahead and was in marked contrast to the recriminations which followed the failure of the Athens summit scarecely a month ago. In approving Britain's "Eurogo some way towards silencing

From Ian Murray, Brusse ould be pressing for a full some member-states that s by March. The Com-tain is a wrecker. on's price proposals will be

The financial crisis facing axt week for consideration Community has certainly ational experts are likely to pressed the need for unamend a virtual freeze on community on farm minimum, thing along with tax action on farm ministers, thing, along with tax M Michel Rocard, the Prince of hold the key to Communices to further control his way to pay tribute to Mr reform. As Mr Jopling pu production. Ministers vesterday. There is a ger: arranged one extra meetfeeling that we have got to eleven now and the end of agreement in March. They h to make extra time for the fact of the bank manuary negotiations. knocking on the door. The nain's proposals for fixed

o brass left." cual limits on farm spend-This painful fact was dr will form part of the home again at the endussions although M Rocard vesterday's meeting by Mr I that a final decision would Dalsager, the Agricul: to be taken at a more Commissioner. He water level. The agriculture ministers that the Communisters would confine them would only have an averages to sorting out the (207m European currentical agricultural problems, units (Ecus) (£688m) to stresterday's meeting failed to on agriculture in each of the on the only big conten-full months remaining this has issue confronting it — an This compared with an avernsion of the scheme to pay of 1.330m Ecus a month stural aids to farmers. Thoe the same period last year, we real decision made was to the Community had a those border controls to stop shortfall of some 300m Ecus, spread of swine fever.

## Rama Rao survives je attack

Hyderabad (Reuter) - The Indian film star-politician, Mr

A 21-year-old unemplatics last year played the role Vir Rao, who before entering man tried to stab Mr Rao a Hindu god in many of his N. T. Rama Rao, who deliverd on Monday night at a stat.) films, won power last a stunning election setback to where he presented a reportuary over Mrs Gandhi's Mrs Indira Gandhi in 1983, has his first year as Chief Mir ngress (I) party. survived an assassination of Andhra Pradesh state. (1) party. attempt, the Press Trust of suffered only a cut thumb. The other Mrs Gandhi, page 9



Guilty of perjury: Miss Lavelle after the sentence was announced.

## Jail sentence for Reagan official

Washington (NYT). - Rita Lavelle, former chief of the Environmental Protection Agency's toxic-waste programmes, has been sentenced to six months in prison and fined \$10,000 (£7,000) for lying to Con-

A federal district judge also sentenced her to five more years on probation, during which she must perform community service. Miss Lavelle is the only high-ranking Reagan Administration official to have been

sentenced to a prison term for a felony committed in the performance of official

Judge Norma Hollway Johnson told Miss Lavelle at the sentencing on Monday: You have indeed violated the public trust. The perjury offence strikes at the very core

of the trust that has been conferred in you." Last month, Miss Lavelle was found guilty of perjury and obstructing a congressional investigation by lying to con-gressional investigative subcommittees and to other officials at the EPA about when she found out that her former employer, the



Mugabe's

peasants suspected of supportng anti-government guerrillas

The hearing is in camera but

the Government has pledged its

voluntary organizations, were denounced as opposition party

propaganda and drew blistering

Mugabe, the Prime Minister.

findings will be made public.

in Matabeleland.

massacred.

Mr Joergensen voting: His party fears decline.

#### It is a year since the Government, in response to increasing insurgency in Mata-beleland sent shock troops into Voters defy the bush around Bulawayo. Between January and March more than 2,000 peasants were the cold Press reports of the atrocities, in Denmark substantiated by church and

From Christopher Follett

attacks from government politicians, including Mr Robert With the last pre-election opinion polls pointing to a resounding victory for the Conservative-led coalition Government of Mr Poul Schlut-

> up to nine of its 59 scats. A total of 13 political parties

contested the election, the seventh in 13 years. Only nine parties were expected to be

Police said the decision to allow Miss Bhutto abroad was

made at a very high level.

Arrested one week after the

hijacking of a Pakistani airliner

to Kabul and Damascus. she was accompanied by her youn-

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suffered for some time. Her Palme's budget over-cautious.

#### opposition says From Christopher Mosey Stockholm

Mr Olof Palme's Government, which since its election in 1982 has faced stiff opposition to its radical economic policies from industry and the non-socialist opposition, yesterday presented budget that was immediately attacked for being over cau-

Both industry and opposition criticized the budget for doing too little to ahieve its main stated aim: the reduction of the deficit from \$4.0 billion kroner (£7.2bn) in 1983-1984 to 80.8 billion kroner in 1984-85.

A spokesman for the Federof Swedish Industries said: "The Government should have taken stronger measures to reduce the deficit, increase profitability and епсоцгаес individual incentive by reducing personal taxation

Leaders of the three main opposition parties made much the same points in their commentaries in Parliament on

## province.

Manila (AP) - The chief legal officer of president Marcos's security command denied yesterday any special relationship with the Government's key witness in the Aquino assassination case and said loyal soldiers definitely did not plot the opposition leaders's death. Colonel Balbino Diego, giv-

ng evidence to a investigating the murder of president Marcos's chief rival. acknowledged meeting at the presidential Palace compound with Rosendo Cawigan, the key witness, several months before assassination. Mr Cawigan, who had given

evidence against Aquino several years ago, told the board he was a Communist commander. 4 former Aquino bodyguard, and Government agent who was recruited by Communists to kill Aquino but he didn't get the job. He also alleged he was at the airport to kill Aquino himself for personal reasons in case the Communists failed.

## **Equal pay for Greeks**

Athens (Reuter) - Greek women are guaranteed equal pay for equal work under a new law drafted by the Socialist Government and approved by Parliament overnight.

Greece into line with the forbids employers from disdiscrimination in hiring policy. embroidery.

A year ago Parliament approved sweeping reforms of family law, making divorce casier and guaranteeing the role of wives in family decisionmaking.

Some women's groups said The law, intended to bring the latest measure did not go far enough. It did not affect the European Community, also public sector, where in theory equality was already guaranteed, missing women for being or the hundreds of thousands pregnant and sets fines of up to of Greek women who worked 100,000 drachmas (£760) fo at home doing sewing of

However, in September, seven months after Mr Mugabe promised an investigation, the Aerojet General Corporation was disposing er, voters defied bitterly cold Government announced the of toxic wastes at the Stringfellow acid pits weather at vesterday's general election in Denmark. inquiry. Since then the comnear Riverside, California. mittee has been defining its Turnout was estimated at just responsibilities and preparing under 90 per cent of the 3.8 lists of witnesses. million electorate. Its members are Mr Simplicius Chihambakwe, chairman, Like all previous surveys, the Mr John Ngara, Mr Prince Machaya and Major-General final Gallup Poll, published in Berlingske Tidende, increased Mike Shute, retired commander the combined scats of the ruling of the Fourth (Matabeleland) four-party coalition from 66 to 81 in the 179-scat Folketing Brigade:
The new Zimbabwean Government
after less week's reshuffle and pruning
by Mr Mugabe is as follows:
Prime Minister, Defence, Public
Services, Industry and Technology:
Robert Mugabe; Deputy Prime Minister,
Energy and Water Resources: Simon
Muzenda: National Supplies: Enos
Nikais; Mines: Dallistus Notoru (Zapu);
Elements and Economic Plesnings. (Parliament). More significantly, the poll predicted that the small centrist anti-Nato Radical-Liberal Party, which supports Mr Schluter's economic policies, would win 10 seats, meaning that the Nikais; Mittes: Dallistus Projovu (zapur; Finance and Economik: Planning: Bernard Chidzerd; Trade and Commerce: Richard Hove: Labour, Manpower Planning and Social Welfare: Frederick Shave; Youth, Sport and Culture: Simba Makorti; Transport: Harbert Ushempokunze; Legel and Bestamentster Affaire and Justice. Government may bave a safe majority for its economic austerity programme. This could open the possibility of a Herbert Ushemokunze; Legel and Parkamentary Affairs and Justice: Edison Zudbog: Construction and National Housing: Simbarashe Mumbengegwi; Health: Sydney Sekeramayr; Home Affairs: Simbi Mibako; Education: Dzingal Mutumbuka; Women's Affairs: Teural Ropa Nhongo; Information: Nationa Sharmanian new period of political stability. A further decline of the opposition Social Democrats. gegwit Health:

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Agriculture: D led by Mr Anker Joergensen. traditionally the biggest party in Denmark, was also indicated with the party standing to lose

> Freed Miss Bhutto flies to Zurich for treatment

Karachi (Reuter) - Pakistan's father was deposed by General military government vesterday Zia ul-Haq on July 5. 1977, and freed the eldest daughter of the later hanged. executed former Prime Minismonths in custody. She immediately flew to Europe for treatment of an ear ailment.

Miss Benazir Bhutto, one of Pakistan's most prominent political figures and acting chairman of Bhutto's banned Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP). had been under detention at her father's home here and family sources said she was going to

Miss Bhutto, aged 30, said before leaving that she would undergo treatment for the from which she had

Miss Bhutto said that she would consult with her mother. Pakistan.

ger sister, Sanam.

who has also been undergoing medical treatment in Europe. about the political situation in Last August anti-government agitators died in attacks on

courts, police stations and railways in southern Sind

Security officer denies plot to kill Aquino

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## Dismissed Nato general claims compromising photographs are forged

From Michael Binyon, Bonn

Commander-in-Chief of Nato on New Year's Eve by Herr Manfred Worner, the West German Defence Minister, has led to widespread calls for a full explanation. The Government admitted that the general had become a security risk.

A Defence Ministry spokesman said Herr Worner had no other choice but to retire General Kiessling early after the West German Military Intelligence Service presented information which required the immediate withdrawal of his security clearance. The ministry insisted, however, that no foreign intelligence service was involved, nor was there any basis for assuming treason on General Kiessling's part.

German newspapers have widely quoted intelligence reports that the general had allegelly visited homosexual bars in Cologne and Essen, and that his private life could have left him open to blackmail.

The affair of General Gunter try spokesman said military Rogers, the Nato Supreme Kiessling peremptorily dis-missed from his post as Deputy accused the general of homosexuality, but said he had been fully informed in September of the reasons for his dismissal.

General Kiessling has twice publicly denied that he has ever had homosexual relations. He said at the weekend that apparently compromising photographs of himself had either been forged or there had been a mix-up.

In an interview with the popular magazine Quick he also said he had never been in Essen in his life, and could not understand the claims by military intelligence.

In reply, Herr Worner, who clearly would like to say nothing more about the affair, denied there could have been any mistake.

He also denied, during a television interview, reports that the general xhad been kept under observation by the American Central Intelligence

Commander, had anything to do with the case.

The Social Democratic opposition has called on Herr Worner to say precisely why the general had become a security

Sources in Brussels said he had not been in his office for several months, and his departure came as no surprise. He was known to have got on badly with General Rogers. General Kiessling said he

categorically denied all rumours about his private life, but had not had a proper chance yet to put the record straight. For this reason he had called for a disciplinary hearing against himself to bring the accusations out into the open,

The Bundeswehr does not discriminate against homosexuals in army entry. But homosexual activity amongst soldiers is not permitted and is ground for immediate dismissal. Private activities outft him open to blackmail.

Agency, and said neither the side the army however are not However, the Defence Minis- CIA nor General Bernard seen as a breach of discipline.

## Owen and Brooke the models for Nigerian strongman

## Soldier-poet in seat of power

Lagos

You wouldn't expect to find a poet in a military government. But a member of the Supreme Military Council which seized power in Nigeria on December 31 is Major-General Mamman Vatsa, who is well known as an author of children's books and as a poet.

In an interview with The Times. General Vatsa denied that there was any conflict or contradiction between the pursuance of an active military career and the practice of the gentler forms of literature.

"Sensitivity is necessary for a soldier", be said. It was part of the art of leadership to be continually conscious of the needs, morale and thoughts of those being led. "You have to be able to listen to men", he

He referred to the fine war poetry produced in Britain, particularly by writers of the first world war like Owen and Brooke. To the objection that they were not professional soldiers, he said that he was in a way a reluctant conscript to

He emerged in the 1960s from a secondary school in Bida, Niger State, vaguely hoping to become a journalist, but when the army was desperately seeking officer material in its efforts to rid itself of British domination.

He has had a distinguished career, proving himself in battle during the Biafran war, taking a leading part in various training establishments and, most notably, commanding the Brigade of Guards, responsible for protecting the Head of State, from 1975 to 1979.

He is the only commander of the Brigade who has delivered his head of state - General Olusegun Obasanjo - safety home at the conclusion of a term of office. He jokes about



bout Nigerian life at the top.

dent Shehn Shagari.

This is his first experience of from overseas (though not from anywhere in Nigeria) that the military has no moral right to take over simply because it has the guns, he replied that it was not a simple mater of the

integrity of Nigeria and of the

safety and the lives of its

He has published several slim volumes of verse, some aimed at children, simple but adults, more dense and im-

He bas also written a volume in praise of the new capital being built at Abuja (his home territory) and, slightly to his embarrassment now, a trans-lation into English verse of the Hausa poems of former Presi-

abrogation of power.

The Nigerian Army had shown that it did not want power. "But our main duty is the protection of the territorial

General Vatsa: "Sensitivity is necessary for soldiers" it, but t is a fact that says much citizens. These were at serious

> He mentioned the increasing breakdown of law and order and galloping inflation combined with shortages and economic stagnation, "Things had got out of the control of the

On the question of whether it was a pre-emptive coup to prevent more revolutionary action by younger officers, as has been widely alleged, Gen-eral Vatsa said the army channels of communication with the lower ranks were open, as always, and their senior men were aware of how impossible life had become for the more

To the accusation that soldiers do not understand economics, as has been shown by previous military govern-ments, the general said that civilian politicians mostly did not have economic qualifications either.

#### **Ousted Polish TV chief** False start to Colombo blames party vendetta

conference From Michael Hamlyn,

The all-party talks aimed at providing a comprehensive settlement to Sri Lanka's dire communal strife got off to a false start yesterday in an effort to make attendance as comprehensive as possible. The delegates adjourned soon after they assembled at the Bandaranaike Memorial International conference hall in order to send a joint invitation to Mrs Sirimavo Bandaranaike's Sri Lanka Freedom Party to join them.

Mrs Bandaranaike, the for- party leaders mer Prime Minister, is under the disability of having her civil of waging a campaign against rights withdrawn, and despite her earlier statements that the impossible to bring Mr Gierek talks should take place with no to trial - though disgraced, he preconditions, her party with now lives quietly in a villa in drew at the last moment. Last Katowice - he, Szczepanski, night the party said it would was being made the scapegoat attend after all.

The talks will not reassemble he said. until this afternoon. Also at the last minute President Junius as a substitute for all those Jayawardene invited represen- holding power in the 1970s. . . . tatives of Buddhist clergy and laity and of the Muslim deposed leader being brought to community. The Buddhist cler- trial for his errors, and that is gy historically have been the supposed to be my function", most hostile to the aspirations | Mr Szczepanski declared in his of the Tamil community (who speech, which lasted several days. The full text has only just are mainly Hindu). At the weekend the leader of

the Maha Sangha Sabha - the Grand Clerical Assembly - the Venerable Palipane Chandananda, wrote to the President making clear the clergy's opposition to many Tamil hopes for unification of Tamil areas.

Mr A. Amirthalingam, leader of the Tamil United Liberation Front, the principal Tamil party, said vesterday that the the Buddhists without consulthe Front would not object.

Poland's flamboyant former state money, having sex with television chief, on trial for coloured girls, and all the time corruption and mismanage-ment, has claimed in a biting final statement to the court that he is the victim of a political vendetta orchestrated by a disgruntled member of the

Mr Maciej Szczepanski, who faces a possible 12-year jail term when the court delivers its verdict in the next few days, accused Mr Mieczyslaw Moczar, the former internal security chief (and a Polithuro rival of Waldyslaw Gomulka and Edward Gierek) him. Because it was politically

Communist Party establish-

for all the mistakes of the 1970s. "I have been used in this trial

become available. "I am convinced that my

arrest and trial result from, and are one of the forms of, political struggle waged by Mr Moczar and his supporters, and later in August (1980) by the antiand abroad.

opposition against Gierek be- the case of the yacht, for of five Dance Preludes by cause it was Gierek who twice training children to sail. President had no right to invite prevented him in his bid for power. Moczar and his propa- week whether the real Mr tating the other parties, but that gandists were trying to show me Szczepanski is Dr Jekyll or Mr as a debauchee, squandering Hyde.

having close contacts with Gierek and members of his

Mr Moczar was one of the most powerful Communist Party apparatchiks in the postwar period, helping to stir up an anusemitic campaign in 1968 as a means of challenging the leadership of Gomulka.

Under Mr Gierek, Gomulka's successor, Mr Moczar was edged sideways, out of his internal security role and Politburo position into the

Chamber of Control.
The Supreme Chamber of Control made six checks on the running of state television under Mr Szczepanski's rule but, the television chief claims, "the results were almost the same: nothing serious was reported, no changes were made and the prosecutor's office was

never involved. "Mr Moczar chose to remain silent about the television and use his material to discredit the Gierek leadership at a more opportune moment."

Mr Szczepanski admits in his final statement to having bent the rules, though he claims in the interests of a higher economic efficiency.

The television chief, whose job was one of the key propaganda functions in pre-Solidarity Poland, countered most of the accusations of abuse of funds by saying that his villas toire which owes more than one socialist opposition at home, and his yacht were also used for recreational purposes by other "Moczar had organized the employees of television, or in duled extra item was the second

The court will decide this

The Devil's Lieutenant breaks new ground

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## for British television: Peter Lewis reports Authentic European

Fifteen captains of the general staff corps of the imperial army in Vienna each received through the post a box of capsules with a pharmacist's circular promising that they would enhance their sexual potency. The promise proved even more deceptive than usual; one officer tried out the sample and died in agony - the capsules contained cyanide. Although this happened in 1909, it is a famous Viennese scandal discussed to this day, Was the young lieutenant accused of the murder the true culprit and, if so, was his motive desperation to receive promotion?

The episode is the basis for the television drama The Devil's Lieutenant, an exceptional European co-production to be shown on Channel 4 tonight and tomorrow. Many people, including the Emperor Franz-Josef himself, tried to get the investigation dropped, revealing as it did the casual sexual behaviour of the officer corps in Vienna. But by then it had turned into an obsessional psychological duel between the investigating officer, Captain Kunze, and his prime suspect, Lieutenant Dorfrichter (played in the film by the German actor Helmut Griem and by Ian Charleson, of Charlots of Fire fame). The Crown Prince Franz Ferdinand swore that, if Dorfrichter was convicted, he would order his release the moment the expected European war broke out - a promise he was unable to keep because of his previous appointment at

The film sets the murder investigation against an evocation of an arthritic empire dominated by a military caste in the grip of terminal conservatism. It is keenly looking forward to the next war, which it proposes to fight without the unchival-

Cinderella

Festival Hall

rous aid of the internal combustion engine or wireless telegraphy. Oddly enough, the suspected lieutenant seems to be the only man in the army who is

The film's stamp of authenticity in telling its true story is the result of painstaking attention to detail. It was shot in and around the surviving imperial buildings of Vienna and Prague. The names of the participants have been only slightly changed. The very cyanide capsules, pill-boxes and deadly circular are authentic, for the originals are preserved in Vienna's military archives by a bureaucracy which rarely throws anything away.

The multi-nationalism of the pro-duction breaks new ground for German and British, the three leading actresses are Italian, French and English, and the other parts are taken by Austrians and Czechs. The crew was German, the music Austrian and the editor Swiss. And yet it is an English film, written in English by Jack Rosenthal and directed by John Goldschmidt, who insisted that English would be spoken at all times on the set. Everyone accepted that. It would have been far more difficult to work in any

other language."

The financing was shared between the German, Italian and French state networks and Channel 4, "It is the first European co-production in which there has been English participation on this scale", says Goldschmidt. "There have been co-productions in other languages but with the advent of Channel 4, which uses the same system of subcontracting film-making to indepen-dents, they can be made in English because one of the partners is English."

The advantage of multi-nationalism is partly authenticity and partly cost. It

Dance

Poor Cinderella, her sister's a fella. Both sisters, actually. At least, that is how it goes in British versions of the Proko-fiev ballet, although Russian

productions let women play the roles (as, indeed, do the Cinderella ballets danced to Strauss and Rossini music by our northern companies). Playing them in drag allows a wilder knock-about comedy but less real drama. Ben Stevenson's Cinderella for Festival Ballet, now at the

Festival Hall and overlapping with Ashton's at Covent Garden, tries to compensate by putting more emphasis on the domestic relationships. He makes them punch and pummel their drudge, complain about the way she handles a broom and bully her father too - which gives Cinders a chance to win extra sympathy by bravely

standing up for him.

Michael Pink and Nicholas ohnson played the Ugly Sisters at Monday's opening perform-ance. They are less flamboyant than some we have seen, and that may be an advantage. Both of them manage very well the frequent falls, flat on their face or back, which figure prominently in the action. In his handling of the story,

Concert

Clarinet

subtlety

The ninth and latest Sequenza

by Luciano Berio was the

central feature of the clarinetist

Antony Pay's programme for Monday's BBC lunchtime con-

cert at St Jobn's, Smith Square,

which can be heard again on Radio 3 next Sunday. The work

differs from Berio's early items

in this series, each written for a different solo instrument, in having been composed orig-

inally as Chemins 5, involving

Berio was apparently dissatis-

fied with the electronic content,

and detached the solo clarinet

part, although whether this has been at all modified is unclear.

in its present naked state, as it

were, it derives its character

from the contrast of rhythmic

skips and sustained notes, and

of soft murmurations and

Listening to the broadcast on

newly acquired domestic equip-

ment, I was conscious of the

degree of subtlety as well as brilliance in Mr Pay's perform-

ance. His skill in phrasing as a

means to expressive character

was evident in Brahms's E flat

Sonata, Op 120 No 2, the first

two movements in particular

The final variations were

unduly placid, and lacked, character until the brisker

For Brahms, the clarinetist

was joined by Ian Brown at the

piano, whose playing also enlivened Messager's Morceau

de Concours, a competition

work for the Paris Conserva-

debt to the composer's ballet

Les Deux Pigeons. An unsche-

Lutoslawski, in which warmth

and skill, intensity and balance.

were beautifully poised.

ending

piercing arabesques.

live electronics,

Pay/Brown

St John's/Radio 3

Stevenson largely parallels Ashton's effects (given the same music, he could hardly do otherwise) but has found his own way of achieving them, with many nice touches. I like the expression of horror on the dressmaker's face when she discovers who her customers are, and the way the dancing master makes apparent his recognition that Cinderella would be a more apt pupil than

When it comes to the dances Stevenson is simply not in Ashton's class. But his ensembles, helped by Peter Farmer's pretty designs, although unmemorable are lively enough, and his brash solos are filled out by some vivacious performances, expecially from Koen Onzia as the bouncy Jester and the Misses Truglia, Mulligan, McKendry and Calderini as the Seasors Fairies in the opening

Patricia Ruanne, the very able, attractive and sympathetic Cinderella, was partnered on Monday by Mark Silver, a former Royal Ballet principal who has joined Festival Ballet to fill the vacancy caused by Jay Jolley's move to Covent Garden. Fair exchange is no robbery: Silver has a good presence, handsome appearance, quizzical smile and ance, quizzical dashing manner,

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Where, then, are Things? For 20 years stayed in engraved on the pages of Sendak's marvellou book, one of those children's books tha actually enjoy. They wondrously material stage creatures 8ft

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John Percival here. In the first place

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ast the work's intentions.

cameraman and editor, emerging with the all-important ticket. Although mild-looking, mildly-spo-

ken and mildly-bearded, he has weathered many a controversy in his television career. In his twenties he and his cameras found themselves in the thick of the Battle of Bogside while making a documentary on Bernadette Devlin, Later he turned in Life for Christine, an angry documentary on a 14-year-old girl in Holloway, and the award-winning film about a pools winner, Spend, Spend, Spend.

Recently he went to Germany to make films for the ZDF national network to avoid getting stereotyped. "I didn't want to film any more northern working-class ghettos." His two German films picked up awards at the Prix Italia and at Monte Carlo, which made his a reassuring name when finance was being raised for The Devil's Lieutenant.

#### Opera

ohn Goldschmidt: Britain's first Euro-director

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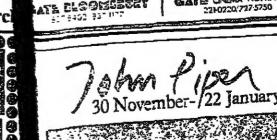
some kind of musical normality against which his fantastic extrapolations could be measured. By now, though, the very "sortileges" claim much e attention than the "enwildest things have been done ens in Where the Wild in all seriousness, and the best that Knussen can achieve is a recreation of wild things from ags Are, though in this case the past: two crucial moments, is and much of the music, remembering of home, are mis no more than a stolen from Boris Godunov and class Peter Pan, an adult's from the Ravel opera, both of i. The Villd Things, on the which impinge on the score hand, are much more throughout. The result is very beautiful

and precise, as concert performances have revealed, but it is not the bearer of a new unbeiterably well trans- dramatic world, even with speciacular help from London Sinfonierta under the composer's direction, from Frank Corsaro's production and above all from the Wild Things

Paul Griffiths







Piper is perhaps best known for his romantic landscape painting, but his work in stained glass, ceramics, fabrics and theatre design, new shown together for the first time, fully

demonstrates his versatility. Sponsored by Mabii Admireson Cl. St. Worldays 19-530 Sundays 2-5.50 termination 01-6217138 Closed 25-20 December and Harmony

Tate Gallery

#### Television Weighty matters Mandibular fixation - no, not a sex-fetish, a neat little operation

whereby the patient's jaws are wired together - was one of many facts unearthed by last night's Brass Tacks (BBC 2) which might have been calculated to make the viewer's jaw

We saw a 16-stone woman take this metal vow of silence for a six-month period, as a last desparate throw in her fight against fat. We were told of the operation's exiguous success rate, and of the lengths to which some patients had been known to go in an attempt to circumvent it. One had taken to drinking eight pints of milk a day; another, more showily, had put some steak and chips through the blender and drunk the resultant puree through a

The cameras dropped in on a celebratory lunch laid on by Slimming Magazine for its champions of the year. A pretty blonde was asked why she had begun. "When I saw a friend of mine and my husband making eyes at each other, and I knew what the eyes meant." How would she feel if she were to swell up again? "I think I'd jump off Reading Bridge." A former champion, interviewed shamefacedly at home, spoke of the joys of winning ("I even met Michael Parkinson") and of ber present misery. "I've made a rod for my back by getting fat": a poignant metaphor for back-

by-pass operation ("I wanted to get nice dresses,

something"), was shown hi her stomach stapled tog F-planners, aerobic fi and a host of assorted qu cried their wares; a spoke for the food industry expla why calorific labelling, com in America, cost too muchappen here. All very stra and largely unnecessary: as programme observed no half the slimmers in Read male as well as female,

either at or below their m cally correct weight. With The District Nurse B l began an endearing costu drama distinguished largely its Welsh locales and splendid vintage car. Perha next week the car will be seen motion. Episode 2 of The Jew in the Crown (ITV) w marvellously assured, and made a fine commercial for the bod on which it was based.

Michael Church

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score is the best he

has written for the

theatre" (Observer)

can slimmers' manuals prescribes a diet which gives chronic diarrhoea; another. preaching the efficacy of something it calls The Last Chance Diet, is still selling well despite the fact that its recipe has killed 50 people. One American was shown obediently swallowing a regional. An unscheration was the second Dance Preludes by ski, in which warmin intensity and balance, utifully poised.

Noël Goodwin

Shown obeciently swallowing swallowing in good the end of a tube; the bag was inflated to make her hunger seem small, and the tube was trained out of her nose and looped artistically over her ear. An unfortunate woman called Mrs Ayling, seriously ill after a

union

home-albeit behind bullet-proof glass and Picasso tote bags. After Franco's war and peace, Elaine Attias finds that democracy and culture in Spain are both struggling to make up for lost time.

"Guernica" has come

Rebirth of the arts in Spain today, by Richard Fletcher after Picasso's



## Regildig a nation's golden age

The queues at the entrance to the Prado Museum stretch half-way around the block. An exhibition of Queen Sophia is hardly a "The Life and Thought of Karl Marx" "The Life and Thought of Karl Marx" is featured at the Biblioteca Nacional. Ederra, a surrealist play reflecting sympathetically on Basque nationalism, is packing them in at the Teatro Espagnol. And Guernica has come home, protected by bullet-proof glass in Philip IV's seventeenth-century palace where young women are busily selling Picasso tote bags in the museum

After a devastating civil war, followed by almost 40 years of repressive Franco rule, the young Spanish democracy is struggling to make up for lost time.

Just a year ago the moderate socialist party of Prime Minister Felipe Gonzalez won its overwhelming parliamentary majority. What does the new government mean for the cultural life of the nation whose glorious Golden Age once gave the world Cervantes, Lope de Vega, Velazquez, El Greco, Goya?

In 1968, when Enrique Gomez Acebo opened a tiny gallery to show abstract paintings, he could never have dreamed that one day the prime minister of Spain would choose a work of one of his young artists to present to President Ronald Reagan.

"In the old days, what would they have given to a head of state?" he asks. "A silver ashtray!" Acebo recalls that just a few years ago Spanish students had to organize bus trips to Paris or Amsterdam to see the works of their fellow countrymen, Miro and Picasso.

"Culture", he says, "was never important to the fascists. Except in a negative sense."

Acebo feels considerable credit must

cure the stresses of history; the real

malaise of Peking. I came to think,

was its domination by an ideology

so all-pervading, so arbitrary, in

many ways so honourable, but

apparently so inconstant, which can

change the very way the nation

Today, it is liberal and welcom-

ing, Chinese tradition is honoured,

people are free to wear what they

like, consort with foreigners if they

will, sell their ducks in a free

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it was puritanically narrow, the

revolutionary condition was perma-

nent, aliens were devils, Mao caps

and floppy trousers were de rigueur, angry activists with stepladders and

paintbrushes all went down that

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Teenagers, tour chook hildren, men and women ages crowd at the entrance to the Spain's great repository of institute heritage. Under new graent policies, admission for Spis is free, and the museum has tranted a 50 per cent budget inorgal its first truly independent becauses. independent boar ustees.

Manuela Mena outhful deputy director, is ready we for Paris to discuss future ext programmes. She is pleased within a new active role in the internal art world. Her studies and trips id in the 1970s had pinpointed to the country's isolation and cultickwardness.

"We are reallying a kind of cultural revolution t think it is a matter of socialis's an explosion of culture. I think ay again have a period like the | She speaks of the Surrealists, Jali and Miro, Picasso, Buñuel in. Pablo Casals, philosopheniguel Unamuno and José Ortega asset, the poets Antonio Mach and Frederico Garcia Lorca whourished in the brief life of the blic (1931-1939), when Spain wopened to the twentieth century

In 1936 Generancisco Franco, aided by his Nend Fascist allies, took up arms inst the young democracy. The rutality of the Spanish Civil & shocked and revolted the worNearly a million died, and follow Franco's victory,

400,000 fled the atry.

cratic Spain is today sanctuary for artists and writers seeking refuge from repressive regimes in Argentina and

Pablo Casals settled in Puerto Rico, and like Picasso was never to return. Juan Ramón Jiménez won his Nobel Prize for poetry in exile. Andrés Segovia remained away for years as did Ortega y Gasset. It was rumoured that Bunnel secretly returned in disguise every year to participate in an ancient masked festival in his native village.

In Franco's last years, the most virulent forms of cultural repression softened. France wanted to be part of Europe's growing prosperity; a modicum of respectability seemed essential.

"For those who wrote and those who spoke it was bad right up until the day Franco died", said Gloria Garcia Lorca, the artist niece of the great Andalusian poet whose murder by Franco came to be seen as the supreme sacrificial symbol of the civil war's brutal madness.

Born and raised in the United States where her professor father had gone in exile, she has gone to live in Spain. "The Gonzalez government", she believes, "is taking up where the Republic left off."

In charge of the government's new cultural programmes is its minister of culture, Javiar Solana Madariaga, 41, a professor of physics and a former Fullbright scholar. His offices are in an enormous concrete structure which formerly housed the ministry of

Solana speaks of "a constellation of economic, and ideological", which he feels confront all societies today. "An enormous effort at understanding and imagination is required. In an historicum-about, demo- And not just here in Spain."

education now ties with public works for top claim on the Socialist budget. His own ministry has received a 21 per cent budget increase over last year. But are there misgivings about the very existence of a ministry of culture in a democratic society?

Solana shrugs good humouredly. "I know the philosophic position that the best thing for governments to do is to do nothing. But I don't agree. Governments, of course, cannot produce culture. That must come from society. But governments can create a nourishing atmosphere."

Solana plans to introduce art and music education into the school system "on the same level as maths". He is committed to building libraries in every community with a population of 2,000 or more. The number of books per capita in Spain is a shocking 0.4 compared to Sweden's 4.7.

The cultural influence of the South Americans is very important in Spain. Their writers are so good", one novelist said, "it's very hard for us to. compete." Solana recently conducted a week-long international symposium in Madrid for Hispanic writers and artists to explore common identities".

Julien Marias, scholar and historian, has travelled widely. In South America, he says, he never feels like a stranger. "A foreigner, but not a

stranger. Marias is one of the anti-Franco intellectuals who remained in the country after Franco's victory. He was jailed for a short period, released, and managed to write a very large number of historical and philosophic works.

Reflecting on the many cultural changes he has witnessed, Marias reflects that Spain was never a

He says that the ministry of wasteland even during the Franco years, when so many of its greatest minds had left. "Artists and writers continue to work, even in the most difficult times." Marias, alone among those whom I met, complained about the firing of most of the directors of Spain's major cultural institutions following the Socialist victory. The others seemed to assume it was inevitable. "You must be able to trust those with whom you work", one

explained. Marias is not altogether comfortable with this explanation. Perhaps cultural institutions could be attached to the monarchy, he suggests. "Intellectual life likes best to be left alone. I don't very much like interference with

culture even if it has good intentions." Will Spain's new cultural revolution translate into a new Golden Age? In the first heady days of democracy there was much talk of it.

Antonio Callabero, art editor of the influential magazine Cambio 16, acknowledges the tremendous burst of cultural activity and the public's demonstrable hunger for art. So far, he says, he's not very impressed with the product. "I see little real innovation."

"When I was younger", says novelist Soledad Puertoles, "Franco was still in power and I felt I had to do something to fight it. So I wrote in Socialist realism, which I didn't really like. With freedom, you can write what you really want. You can discover who you are." She says that she was never among those who expected a Golden Age so

"Creativity is too complicated for that. The big difference in Spain is that the new changes are beginning to convince people that the future belongs to everybody."

Jan Morris concludes her visit to China, and

It is the forum of the new China. square on earth, where an army could be massed, where all the kites in the world could fly, where a million people can gather to cheer

Nothing, not even in Peking, is quite so utterly concrete as Tien An Men Square. Across it, Chang'an runs mercilessly east and west. On each side of it are monstrous buildings in the Revolutionary Heroic manner, all columns and swollen symmetry - the Museum of History on the east, and on the west, the Great Hall of the People, which was built by 25,000 labourers in ten months and is bigger than all the buildings of the Forbidden City put together. In the centre of the square towers the obelisk of the People's Heroes Monument. At the southern end, immense but squat, stands the foursquare Mansoleum of Mao Tse-tung, looking back in vindication past obelisk and Great Hall to the gate from which, on October 1, 1949, Mao himself, the Great Helmsman, proclaimed the new Heaven and the new Earth. Morose sentries stand guard at each corner of this tomb, wearing sandals or baseball shoes. There are gigantic, sculpted panels of peasants resurgent, soldiers victorious, and inside, behind a towering effigy of himself, Mao lies in a crystal coffin embalmed, he hopes, for all the

But wait again! The line ends not with Mao Tse-tung! Past the mausoleum, though the Qian Men Gate, straight as a die, the power force flows through the Outer City to the Temple of Heaven in the south. Three times a year, in old Peking, the emperor journeyed to this holy place to communicate with his only superiors, the gods themselves. All windows were shuttered for his passing, and the city was plunged into silence. And though we ourselves can take the Number 116 bus down there, still a mighty suggestion of celestial collusion awaits us there, as it awaited him. After sundry rites and sacrifices in the temple complex, it was his duty to ascend the Circular Mound, built in arcane configurations of the number nine, there to seal the intimate association between this city and the ultimate source of all authority, Destiny We will do the same. Up those

terraces we go, to the wide, round platform at the top, and on the slab in the very centre we will stand like the Son of Heaven before us and speak aloud to the gods. "All Power Is Illusion!" we may impertinently choose to cry, and instantly, by some ecrie manipulation of the acoustics, we find ourselves surrounded by the sound of it - Power, Power, Hlusion, Illusion! - embracing us within the echo of our own thoughts and making us feel that we really do stand at the bottom of a cylinder reaching directly, from that stone on the mound in Peking, China, to the emperor or chairman

## moreover... Miles Kington

A message from Lord Tinsel, head of the government-funded Christmas Advisory Conneil.

Hello. We at the Christmas Advisory Council hope you had a good Christmas. If you did, we can take some of the credit. it was us who urged the police to go out and breathalyse lots of sober people to make the figures look better. We it was who arranged for Christmas to be on Sunday. Us was it who disguised ourselves as photographers at Sandringham just to get Fleet Street excluded.

But enough of boasting, if such a thing were possible. Now we must ask you to obey, certain guidelines in clearing up after Christmas. Did you know that over 13.5 per cent of all festive period-related accidents occur in the post-Twelfth situation? Nor did we, but apparently they do, so we must ask you all to obey the following 12-point code.

Dispose of all Christmas cards, having first made a note of the names and addresses of people who sent them, especially those to whom you did not send one. Burning is best, as throwing them away simply places more strain on our already overworked social services. (See HMSO leaflet: "Our Already Overworked Social Services".)

2. Christmas trees are a fire bazard in anyone's language. (In French, for instance, it's called risque d'incendie, which just goes to show we really know what we're talking about.) So before you throw them away, pour water over them. Then set fire to them. They will smoulder damply and then go out, which is safe in any language. Sicher, in German, etc. :-

NB If your tree has roots on it, then plant it again. In fact, why not take a trip up the M1 and replant it in the very same plantation from which you stole it in the first place? Fair's fair.

3. - Christmas decorations should deassembled and put away in small boxes in the store room. The boxes should be marked XMAS DECOR-ATIONS. The store room should be marked STORE ROOM. You still won't find them again next year, but this is what you should do. Christmas tree fights can also be put

away, but it is better to put them to use within the national economy - why not him them out to some establishment that uses coloured Christmas lights all the year around, such as a filling station or post-nuclear regional HQ? (Send for our free leaflet: "Decorating a Nuclear Sheiter".)

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Christmas crackers which seem to contain grammatical errors or wrongly used words should be sent to Philip Howard, c/o this paper. He will pay well.

Any videotapes of the Queen's Christmas message should be wiped immediately, as this is strictly illegal. Send for our free video: "How To Wipe plus an extra £10 for any old movie you may have missed over Christmas.

With the Christmas season over, many young turkeys are now roaming the countryside in desperate need of food and water. It is kindness to leave out a bowl of water and a dish of chestnut

Difficult Christmas quizzes should now be abandoned. The latest figures show that quizzes in upmarket papers and magazines cause up to 6 per cent of all mental illness in the United Kingdom. (Why not sent up for our free leaflet Those Quizzes - the Answers!"?)

 Don't forget - tomorrow is the last posting date for first class 1984 Christmas mail to South Georgia, rebelcontrolled Afghanistan and rural parts of Alderney.

IMPORTANT. You may have noticed that this 12-point code was in fact a 10-point code. This is because Christmas in 1984 is going Metric. Out goes Twelfth Night-in comes Tenth Night! Out go the Twelve Days of Christmas, and in come the Ten! For more details, send up for our leaflet: Another Quango Makes Totally Unnecessary Changes".

May I take this opportunity of wishing you all a very happy Christmas, 1984?

#### CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 245)



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despotism. What is it? What it? Is it the people we see one TV smiling benevely visiting delegates, or is it undrels out of sight? Is it noble thart, or rotten? Is it genial Denghoping, or some up and coming ant we have never heard of? If a climb to the top of Jing Shan ("w hill"), the ornamental mount ornich the last of the Ming empera hanged himself from a locust tremu may look down upon a string taleasure lakes. Their northern was within the Behai park, are all always with pleasure craft, at their lakeside walks are alwaystowded. The southern lakes look and and

surfaces. No lovers take each other's photographs. The buildings on their banks, contained within high walls, look rich but tightly shuttered, and only occasionally do yon glimpse a big, black car snaking its way down to Chang'an. This is where that despotism resides. Behind those walls, beside

those silent lakes, the condition of the Chinese is decided, whether by cynical opportunists shacked up with girls and Japanese electronics or by sombre philosophers bent over their calligraphy. The com-pound is called Zhongnanhai, and if it all looks numb from Jing Shan, it must really be full of gigantic thrust and calculation. Its main entrance is to the south, with tilted eaves and two great guardian lions. The red flag flies bravely on a mast outside, and within the gate an inner wall -the "spirit wall" of old China - is inscribed with the cabalistic text SERVE THE PEOPLE. You cannot see past it, though. Two armed sentries stand there, with two more watchful over their shoulders. They look distinctly unwelcoming, even to Foreign Guests, as they stare motionless and expressionless into the street, and sure enough, when I asked them if I could take a stroll inside Zhongnanhai, they seemed

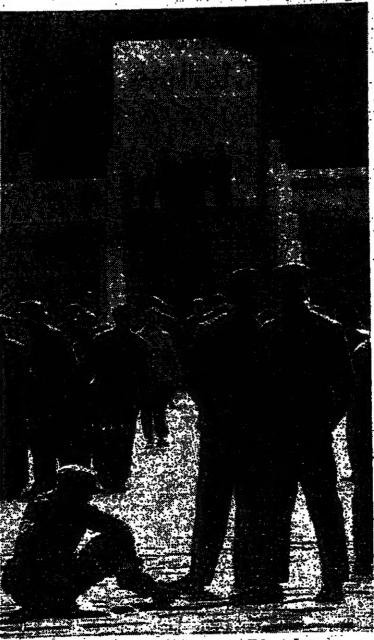
to think not.
But Zhongnanhai is only authonly for the moment - a few years ago it was the private preserve of Mao's widow, Jiang Qing, chief with of the Gang of Four and now orked up forever. Power in Peking. rous much deeper than that, is indemic to the very existence of the city. When the summons came to me at last, I knew better where to

From the top of Jing Shan, a dead-straight axis runs from north to south - or, as the Chinese say, from south to north - through the centre of the city. This is the line of Chinese power. It is like one of those energy-leys that visionaries profess to find in Europe, convey-ing the earth-force century after century from mountain to megalith.
From the pavilion on the hill, it room the payment on the entrance of Jing Shan Park (posters of criminals, placards around their necks, stuck up as a public example) and over a wide highway and across that most where the singers sing at dawn and through a great flowery gateway, the Gate of inspired Military Genius, into the Forbidden City of the Emperors. This is only a museum now, but

it retains the numen of absolute command - a walled city in itself, a matchless assembly of palaces, temples, gardens and gazebos for the exaltation of one single man, the only Son of Heaven, the chieftain of China. Marvellous objects litter our path through this fabulous enclave: grimacing lions of gilded bronze; huge sculpted tor-toises; inceuse burners; ancient, crinkled rocks. Now the way opens into a noble courtyard, speckled with green grass; now it narrows into a staircase or passes through

remains a wondering outsider

## The bored quarter of the Earth



Some of the many faces that are China today

hundred times, a thousand times as

some tall, gilded hall or pauses the monumental steps - through upon a belvedere or crosses a the Meridian Gate, where the running stream. Here is the Palace emperos, reviewing parades of of Heavenly Purity, and here the prisoners, decided there and then Palace of Earthly Tranquillity, and which should be decapitated here the Hall of Supreme Harmony under that Gate of the Heavenly itself, where, surrounded by gold and vermilion, seared on an good Chinese would wish to see immense carved throne smid before he dies - and suddenly, the dimmed lights and incense, the prospect opens into a plaza a

emperor looked down. But wait! The line goes on Down big as anything the Manchus knew.

## WEDNESDAY PAGE

DIARY OF A JOB HUNTER



In which Sarah Foot, Exeter University 1980-83, BA 2:1 History faces the hordes on the first day of Harrods' sale

every single item we possessed in a

certain design, forty 12-inch plates, twenty-five 10-inch plates etc. Having added up this colossal bill –

the calculator had disappeared again

he suddenly scuttled away muttering something in poor English about "big mistake, big mistake".

I must have been totally preoccu-pied in my work, for I was rather surprised to learn that I had been on

the scene of an event which made

front page news that evening. I had failed to notice a woman emerging

from a dispute over a dinner service

No doubt a great deal was at stake last Friday. People who were

obviously unused to running exerted

ungainly efforts to reach the Wedgwood tables. One woman was noticeably afraid of being photographed. Fortunately for all the cameramen stationed behind the

rather precarious piles of meat

platters and soup tureens - I had

been stacking them the day before -

these tables were reinforced with steel to withstand great pressure. I received heartfelt thanks for working

five minutes after six o'clock from

an American whose marriage seemed to depend upon him

acquiring a particular teapot and

milk jug.

He did wish me "a very nice day",
but I found there was not much left

of it. I had been a little premature in

congratulating myself on my stam-

ina. Unlike some of my colleagues I was not afflicted with a headache. I

only had backache. The strict sexual

stereotyping for which I had been

very grateful prior to the sale - my

most strenuous activity had been

ripping piles of newspapers in half was no longer in force and I was suffering from the effects of shifting

Once I reached the Underground

however, I clearly looked so exhausted that for the first time in

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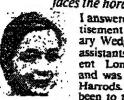
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of Harrods' sale before. Having seen TV recordings of the occasion, I had not initially intended going this year. On imparting this news of my job location, my interviewer felt it necessary to reassure herself of my job motivation. I would be working in very high temperatures - smelling salts had been provided in the summer. I would have no time for a coffee break. Indeed I would have no time to sit down or think but it would be an experience, proving a

true test of stamina.
This was an accurate job description. She only failed to mention the test upon any diplomatic skills I might possess. In persuading all nationalities that, although they had been waiting half an hour, although they even had a Harrods' account, if they wanted to purchase glass they had joined the wrong queue and would have to wait again, I did encounter opposition.

Serving those with limited English was less taxing. Whilst standing amidst piles of china, with people wrestling to reach my cash desk, I was spared being told of the need for greater organization or having to engage in bargaining over the price of a coffee pot lid minus the receptacle itself. (I had spent much of the previous day taping lids to pots, cups to saucers in an attempt

to put a stop to this sort of activity.)
With the non-English speaking I could resort to a form of sign language and confidently assume that they were no less confused than me. Clambering over wire shopping baskets of plates in a hunt for new pens - someone walked away with mine - competing for use of the telephone to sanction credit card payments, seeking the elusive calculator and searching for the relevant account and export forms were not activities conducive to clear thought.

Experience of racecourse betting would have been of value when engaging in the mathematical acrobatics required for these export forms. One man who must have

The high-living fandy

Alan Franks tells how Brooke Knapp conquered a fear of flying to become a record breaker

Question Number One to Brooke Knapp has to be something about standing in direct line of descent from Amelia Earhart, Amy Johnson and other airborne heroines. It is what everyone seems to ask her these days, and she is getting frankly, if politely, bored with it. I fell for the temptation myself. It seemed fair under the circumstances, since she is between record flight attempts, and on that particular day had just nipped over from Paris for a few

been enough to show that Ms Knapp is from a different mould. She was wearing a black knee-length leather skirt, a leopard-skin waistcoat, and carrying under one arm a rather exaggerated bowler hat, which would have been the first casualty in an open cockpit. With the blonde tresses and looks that are quite as striking, in a classic American way, as this photo suggests, there may just have been something rather arch about this little touch of male

Her style of dress should have

parody.

If this sounds like a sexist approach to a bona fide aviatrix, bear in mind that it is in part her own approach as well. There is scarcely an article about her record flights, even in the most impenetrable of technical journals, which does not in some way peg itself to her "film star looks" and cosmic silver, figure-hugging flying suits. It may not be her fault that she was born to be a stunner, or to become an over-achiever in the most

spectacular West Coast tradition. But the important thing is that Ms Knapp, as a devout Reaganite, knows the publicity value of making the most of what you've got.
The whole purpose of these flights

in the first instance was to give Ms Knapp, as a businesswoman (president of Jet Airways Inc.), credibility in the market place, and if that entails straddling the fuselage of a six-seater like a disco dancer, then so be it. Can you believe that she would attract the international coverage which has come her way over the past couple of years if she had been just another thrusting male entrepre-neur with an airline to run? Unlikely.
On February 13, the weather and

the Russians permitting, Brooke Knapp plans to take off from Washington on an eight-leg journey round the world in a Gulfstream Three jet. She aims to complete the course in 46 hours, more than one hour below the existing record. Two months ago she broke the transpolar record of 54 hours and seven minutes, set up by a Pan Am Boeing 747SP, which had stood for six years. At the age of 38, she now has to her name several dozens of aviation records, although some, relating to the lesser legs of greater

journeys, must be taken with a pinch

Statistics are all very well, but as any English person knows, they stand on the wrong side of lies and damned lies. The truly interesting thing about this woman is that five short years ago she had an aparently insuperable fear of flying. Although her husband is an accomplished pilot, not to mention the chairman of the Financial Corporation of America, she herself could not stomach the thought of going up in a plane. It was a phobia that tallied ill with her self-image as an American whose life was not to be trammelled

by personal limitations.

Exactly what did this fear consist of? "Oh, I guess I was just worried about falling or burning. I don't know, Well, I made a determination that I didn't want any limitations in my life. Everyone has limitations which they can't do anything about. For example, I'm an American, I can't belp that."

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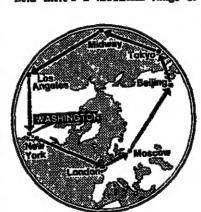
But surely she didn't regret that?

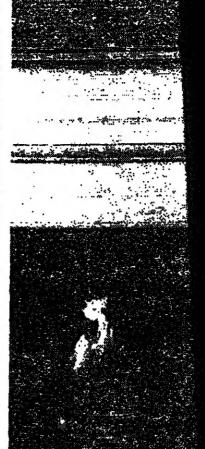
"Oh, good heavens, no. Far from it. What I'm saying is that there are some limitations, like monetary or physical ones, which it is possible to change. It may be fear, fear of anything, is possible to change it may be fear of success or fear of may be fear of success, or fear of

Even for Brooke Knapp, who as a stockbroker had already excelled in a man's world, the theory was simpler than the practice. "Sure, I decided this fear thing was ridiculous. So I took some flying lessons. You know, I missed half of them, and for the other half I showed up 45 minutes late, and said: "We'll do some ground school. Can't we do some more ground school?" I must hold the record (that word again) for the number of training hours before

a solo flight.

You ask when it all changed. OK, I can tell you. It was when we had to do what we call a Round Robin. This meant doing a solo flight from Santa Monica to Bakersfield to Santa Maria. Now, between Santa Monica and Bakersfield there's a mountain range of





Brooke Knapp: big business if

about 5,000ft. Not that high, is it. but to me it was a great wall. I just couldn't do it. I landed in an airfield and I phoned up a friend and just wept. He said words to the effect of 'Get yer arse back into that plane', so I did. I took off again and headed for Bakersfield.

"We have a phrase in flying called 'automatic rough', which means that when you are going over mountains or water you hear the engine making strange noises, as if it's about to cut out, and it's all in the mind. I've never heard so much automatic rough as I did then. When I landed, I said to the first official I saw there: Please sign my log book. Please sign my log book", just to prove to myself I'd done it. I was elated. From that time on, I've had no fear - absolutely none."

The impression one gets is of a woman for whom positive thinking started as a means of overcoming a social and physical deficiency, but for whom this same force has now pushed her to its logical extreme. the Today her company runs a fleet of sup



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## FIRST PERSON

## Paradise paused

Ringway Airport at 4.30 pm. In just a few hours we have been transported from the peaceful life of a Swiss village, hidden high in the mountains, to the noisy madness of Manchester. We had eaten breakfast on the balcony of a 300-year-old chalet, looking over a garden packed with brilliant-ly-coloured flowers and the remnants of summer fruit and vegetables. The nearest chalet was at the far end of a long field, newly-cut to provide winter feed for the cows which would soon come down from the higher slopes, Distant snowcovered peaks caught the early morning sun and almost the only sound was from the church clock

The aircraft lands at

ringing out the quarter hours.
We cat dinner in our small inner city flat from where, if we look, we can see a paich of dusty, lifeless garden, separated from a dozen other patches by overgrown privet. The sound of the neighbour's television wafts faintly through the wall and passing traffic provides a continuous background hum.

Yet it is only by living in this flat. with its low rent and low bill, that we can occasionally swap it for a roomy chales with exquisite views from every shuttered window; only by travelling around on foot or by bike that we can afford the air fare to our particular Garden of Eden. Shopping around for the cheapest, yet most nourishing food in England makes possible the extra pennies on most Swiss prices, plus the luxuries of mouth-watering cheeses and chocolates.

We willingly forfeit a night out with friends over here to enjoy one more meal of steaming raclette - a dish of potatoes and melted cheeses - with friends over there, chattering in a mixture of French, German and English, Only by working tempor-arily can we "contract out" of the employment market for a month or so at a time. For there's a price to be paid for everything, so they say,

and the muck and may-hem of Manchester is well worth it for an occasional glimpse of

Kathryn Selby

## TOMORROW

Profile of Frank Bough, breakfast television's favourite uncle

## The other Mrs Gandhi reinforces a woman's plat the top

Swathed in a shawl over a pink Punjabi costume, Mrs Maneka Gandhi, leader of India's newest

political party, hunched against the chill of a Delhi January. Houses in this part of the world have no heating to speak of, and the rented house with borrowed furniture was a sad come down from the prime ministerial splendour of No I Safdarjung Road. She used to live there when her husband Sanjay, the favoured son of Mrs Indira Gandhi, was alive. But was tossed into the street amid popping flash guns after publicly falling out with her mother-

She smiled: "That's the trouble with starting from the top, you never get a chance to learn." She was talking about her late husband's road haulage firm, Rajdhani Traders, which she has taken over and is making a less than successful attempt to run. The 22 lorries she inherited are now down to four -We had a lot of taxes to pay . . . I knew nothing about business and I had to handle it on my own," she

Starting at the top in politics however is no disadvantage, even to while her husband was alive.

"I wasn't anything myself", she admitted, "I was a courier or message carrier." She became involved to the extent of running a small political magazine virtually single-handededly, and looking after Sanjay's political interests when he was in jail during the Janata rule.

Sanjay and his friends felt that they represented a new force in politics, the force of youth. They saw themselves as different because they were young, born of a technological and more efficient age, and they knew the future was theirs.

When he died in a plane crash his friends wanted to continue to oppose the gerontocracy of both ruling and opposition parties, and persuaded Maneka to join them.
The sub-continent is full of

examples of sons taking over their father's political empires and, despite the backwardness of most attitudes to women, of daughters and widows taking over too. Mrs Indira Gandhi is herself an example. introduced by her father Pandit Nehru as President of Congress. when no one had regarded her as

Maneka Gandhi, Mrs Gandhi's rebellious daughter-in-law, caused a stir ately within India's ruling political dynasty with this week's announcement that she would stand for parliament against her brother-in-law Rajiv. Michael Uhar

Bandaranaike came out from among the tea-cups when her husband died, and became the formidable leader of his party and country. Today, Begum Nusrat Bhutto and her daughter Benazir are the leaders of Zulfikar Ali Bhutto's party in Pakistan. Begum Khalida Zia, widow of General Ziaur Rahman, leads his old party in Bangladesh, and Shaikh Hasina Wajed leads the Awami League, which her father, Shaikh Mujibur Rahman, built.

Name recognition is vitally important in politics here just as everywhere else in the world. In the West, name recognition can come quickly to new people or parties because of the all-pervasive nature

Hamlyn reports being anything but a rather shy hostess in her father's house.

In Sri Lanka Mrs Sirimavo

are read by a tiny minority: radio 75 constituencies fought by Mr N T and television are in the hands of Rama Rao's Telegu Desam, she was the ruling parties. So when a name offered five seats for the newly has been laboriously built by exhausting political action in the streets, at public meetings and in

elections the other bearers of that name can take advantage of it without the cost of such energy. This is one of the principal reasons why many people in the Congress Party are looking to Rajiv Gandhi to carry on winning elections for them after Mrs Gandhi steps down. It also explains why a 27-year-old widow with the looks and voice of a schoolgirl has had such a success in establishing a

political party, which may yet be a potent force.
Mrs Maneka Gandhi startled all the political pundits when she campaigned for the opposition party in Andhra Pradesh at the end of 1982. In return for her campaign in

formed Platform for Sanjay's Thought the Sanjay Vichar Manch. While Mr Rama Rao swept to an overwhelming victory the Manch seized four of the seats and lost the

fifth by only 800 votes. Four months later Maneka stepped before the cameras again to announce the formation of a national political party, the Rash-triya Sanjay Manch, the national Sanjay platform. Two MPs and seven members of state legislative assemblies joined the party and Delhi looked forward to further resignations and defections to it.

But nothing more happened to excite the capital's newspapers and people betan to write off the Manch as a flash in the pan.

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they don't see was ignored by the other party leaders.

"They thought I was too young for them", she said, "and since they are mostly over 80 perhaps I was. She also said that she put forward a programme for action on one issue. which the opposition if united could ast week in Uttar Manch seized one carry – a reform of the 1959 Industries Act that requires industry to be 95 per cent in the public sector - but they preferred to concentrate on centre-state relations. "I had no time for this. I believe in a strong

It is the orthophenylphenol, thiabendazole, diphenyl that to eat waxed citrus zest and the worry people. These are the preservatives in the wax coating try of Agriculture's watch-dogs, on the skins of most citrus fruit. All have been permitted chemical treatments for at least 10 quantities that even the most vears and they do more than give oranges and lemons a shine to catch the customer's eye. The wax itself slows the pace at which the fruit dries, and the preservatives discourage growth of moulds.



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Readers often ask if it is safe is yes. Neither the wax nor the chemicals are harmful in the ardent peel enthusiast could

For marmalade-makers the oranges, the not very pretty but wondrously pungent sour Information Bureau, Sevilles are not waxed.

Another persistent doubt which pops up in the post whenever I write about jam or marmalade making concerns not safety but quality. And this is the question about whether the sugar extracted from sugar beet behaves the same way as sugar extracted from sugar cane. The British Sugar Bureau, which is supported by producers of both types, says that white sugar, whether based on beet or cane, is as near pure

sucrose, chemically speaking, as makes no practical difference. molasses residues of beet resulting marmalade has been refining are unpalatable to better liked than the second human taste, the idea has got recipe by those whose taste runs about that the whole product is to the full flavour of Sevilles, somehow less pure. Or maybe still a little sour and much less the attachment to cane sugar is sweet than most commercial romantic. Handsome waving marmalades. Of course this is plants from sun-soaked, rum- partly due to the proportion-

soaked climes and all that

#### of the mass media. Here the mass media scarcely touch most of the people: newspapers and magazines Sweet, sour, and

good news about Seville edible, and tastes most interesting, in some of its least refined Indian jaggery sugar or Amerioranges just coming into Indian jaggery sugar or Ameri-season – is that according to the can blackstrap molasses. Beet Fresh Fruit and Vegetable sugar is not, and brown sugar made from beets is white with colour or can molasses added

Now to the business in hand, marmalade. This year, in response to persistent pressure from readers, mostly men and often marmalade-makers to the family for the twelvemonth, I tried one of the whole-fruit the oranges first and cutting time, which it does not if you

have a sharp knife. I find cooked fruit messier to It could be that because the deal with than raw, but the ately smaller amount of sugar

very seasonal ing preference for wholefoods take more than usual care with which have been processed as the hygenic preparation of the little as possible. Cane sugar is jars, and with their sealing and

Storage.
The second recipe is for a forms, whether sticky lumps of chunky marmalade. Its tender chunks of peel are suspended in an almost clear orange jam. It is prettier as well as sweeter than the whole fruit marmalade.

Checklist for successful marmalade making:

· A really sharp knife is the essential piece of equipment for marmalade making.

 An old-fashioned brass preserving pan is pleasing to use, but a modern aluminium one is recipes which involve cooking just as good. The outward-sloping sides of the traditional them up when they are soft. The design allow quick evaporation claim is always that this saves of the water when boiling for a set. A large pan or casserole will do very well provided it is not overfilled. The rapid boiling required to evaporate the liquid as speedily as possible once the sugar has been added causes the hot syrup to rise up the pan like boiling milk. If you have to reduce the heat to stop it boiling over the marmalade takes longer to cook. This detracts from, but does not ruin the ately of froth or seum.

oaked climes and all that used, and how well this Make sure that the jars, to the top of the jars allow the marmalade will keep only time whether new or recycled, are marmalade tostand for 10 to 15 explanation concerns the grow- will tell. It may be necessary to very well washed and dried. minutes before potting it.





Shona Crawford Poole

Heat them in a very cool oven (110°C/225°F, gas mark ¼) for at least 15 minutes before filling

 Simmer the peel until it is very tender before adding the sugar. It will not soften further after the sugar is added, indeed it toughens a little.

 To test whether the marmalade will set when it is cold. which is usually after 10 to 20 minutes of rapid boiling, drop a small teaspoonful onto a cold plate. If it stiffens and forms a skin quite quickly it will set.

• As soon as setting point is

reached, remove the pan from the heat and skim it immedi-To prevent the neel floating

 Packets of jam pot covers include discs of waxed paper. Put these, wax side down, on the surface of the marmalade as soon as the jars are filled. When they are cold, apply the covers. Store the marmalade in a

cool, dark place. • If you are freezing the oranges, whole or sliced, for marmalade making at a later date, allow a slightly higher proportion (say 15 per cent) of fruit to sugar to make up for any

Warm sugar dissolves more the easily when added to the fruit. Warm in the oven at the same heat and for the same time as the jars.

possible loss of pectin.

· Make sure that the sugar dissolves completely before raising the heat to boil for a set. Otherwise it may crystallize in the finished marmalade.

Makes about 3kg (61/slb) 1.35kg (3lb) Seville oranges 1kg (2bl 3oz) preserving or granulated sugar

Whole fruit orange marmalade

Wash the oranges and put nem in the pan with enough water to cover them generously if they were not floating. Bring the water to the boil and simmer the oranges for an hour. Pour off the liquid, cover the oranges with fresh water, and simmer them for another hour, or until the skins are soft

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known do they."
The name of Sanjay Gandhi is not universally revered in India, and Mr Chandra Shekhar told me caustically that he spent much of the recent past opposing the thoughts of Sanjay. and has no intention of allying himself with them now. But for good or ill a great many people are dissatisfied with the apparently unchanging politics of power represented by Congress, and the factious squabbling of the principal opposition parties. Maneka thinks that the time is right for a party catering to the young idea. This year will tell whether or not she is right.

pith in the muslin, to make a oranges in quarters. bag, and put the juice and bag of he pulp and cut the ain slivers or larger pips into the pan. Cut the peel into short, thick ording to taste. Now strips and add them to the pan with 2.25 litres (4 pints) water. e pips from the Bring to the boil, reduce the

is very tender and the liquid is fin the pan with 1.2 well reduced. This usually takes about two hours.
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## THE TIMES DIARY

## People in glass houses

Why has the Labour Party not cized the report on the New Year Honours List published by the independent Labour Research Department and beaten Mrs Thatcher over the head with it? It is understood that Neil Kinnock, formerly on the LRD executive, was told about the report beforehand, as was John Smith, employment spokesman, who has been trying to fend off Tory plans to restrict trade union contributions to Labour Party funds. They have both maintained an honourable silence. So far only back-benchers David Winnick and Austin Mitchell have taken any action. Winnick has written to the Prime Minister saving. There is bound to be justified public concern if it is thought that donating to the party in office will considerably improve the chances of being recommended for an award in the honours list. . . It would, I think, be useful if you could comment on the Labour Research Department's article and the policy you have pursued over awards since taking office". The front-bench reticence may have something to do with residual embarassment from Harold "Vilson's "lavender list" eight years

#### Shred of evidence

The Guardian appears to be getting shy about leaked documents. Having returned unopened a document from the Department of Employment because it was unstamped, and having returned Mr Heseltine's cruise memo, the paper has apparently taken to the shredding machine. My mole in Farringdon Street tells me the editor Peter Preston and the paper's social services correspondent David Hencke were seen the other day solemnly destroying the leaked report of the Social Security Advisory Committee. The report damning the Government's £250m housing benefit cuts, was also passed

BARRY FANTONI



## Missile missive

A DX-er is someone who listens to short-wave radio. At the invitation of broadcasting stations, DX-ers write to them to comment on reception. The stations often acknowledge this gesture with some kind of gift - Radio Peking is now rewarding DX-ers with calendars, pennants and badges, and Radio Prague sends out wooden dolls and bookmarks. Last week. DX-ers in the English section of Radio Sofia received a graver kind of communication. They were asked by the station to take part in an opinion poll on the deployment of US Pershing-2 and cruise missiles which "has alened all peace-loving people or the continent". Mysteriously, in view of its January delivery date, the letter said that the opinion poll was called Hot Autumn '83.

The perfectly serious masthead of the perfectly serious political magazine The American Speciator quite properly lists its business and editorial staff and its contributors. It then provides the name of its legal counsel, who, it asks us to believe, are called Solitary. Poor. Nasty. Brutish & Short

## Indians unhappy

The British may be happy with the all-Indian television season now showing on several channels but the Indians are not. Granada's docu-mentary The War of the Springing liger, screened last week, brought protests from India's external affairs minister. Mr P. V. Narasimha Rao. who unsuccessfully demanded that objectionable features and offending passages" be changed. Since they weren't the documentary on the life of the nationalist leader Subhas Chandra Bose has been banned from Indian television, India's lower house, the Lok Sabha, wants to go further and put a ban on all future operations by Granada. Were this to happen. Indian viewers would not he able to see the 13-part Granada blockbuster The Jewel in the Crown.

## All Greek to me

Dr Arnold Goldman, the Assistant Chief Officer at the Council for National Academic Awards, recently received a letter posted in Athens. The cancellation stamp on the envelope did not. as such stamps usually do. invite him to come to sunny Greece or remind him to post early for Easter, but said boldly. The Security Council Decision for Cyprus". This is the first example of political advertising by mail that Dr Goldman has ever seen and he wonders if Greek letters posted to Turkey or Turkish-controlled Cyprus carry the same rather insensitive

Walker looks at the recall of Jordan's 'rotting parliament'

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aer play: Yassir Arafat, encouraged by last month's meeting (above) with President Mubarak of Egypt, is now being urged on by King Husaia of Jordan (right)

## Hw Husain voted for Arafat

Amman Israel For the first til in the conquered the W soon 1967 war, King H throne deliver a speech rdanian to a full session when National Assembled an originally elected from the

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domestic reasons behind the dra-matic recall of the parliament which has been defunct since the Rabat Arab summit of 1974 - no Arab or western diplomats have any illusions that its primary purpose is to stress to the Palestine Liberation Organization and to Israel that Jordan still has responsibilities to the 800,000 West Bankers.

"Although the King agreed to respect the Rabat decision that the PLO was 'the sole and legitimate' representative of the Palestinian people. he is now anxious to indicate that things cannot go on for ever without something being done on their behalf", one diplomat ex-plained. "As things go on in the Arab world, it was the clearest message possible to Mr Arafat that he must resume quickly the talks broken off last year."

As the Jordanian monarch explained when he first dropped the diplomatic bombshell that the assembly, known locally as "the rotting parliament." was going to be revived: "Arafat can become strong again because the West Bank and Gaza Strip believe in his leadership and the majority is with him. He can move within this framework 10 show his popularity, but he should not delay because time may not be

What the King had in mind was redrailing the agreement for Jordanian-PLO cooperation which was pigeonholed last April after Mr Arafat left Amman, supposedly for a 24-hour visit to Kuwait, never to return because Arab radicals convinced him the document should not be signed. Those few non-Jordanians privi-

leged to see a copy confirm that although containing its fair share of claborate empty phrases, it also included matters of real substance which could have cleared the way tiations with Israel which is at the heart of the Reagan plan. If Mr Arafat - newly encouraged by his December 22 meeting with Egypt's President Mubarak - is not prepared

there is speculation that the King may use his revived parliament as an alternative forum of Palestinian opinion (after new elections and West Bank appointment are com-plete, it is estimated that more than 75 per cent of its 60 members will be of Palestinian origin).

By clearly asserting his role in regard to the West Bank via the recall of parliament, the King has deliberately courted bitter criticism and possibly worse from neighbour-ing Syria, from Libya, and from the radical PLO factions who charge that his move deliberately flouts the Restat decision.

The risk being taken by King Husain is the greater because since last October, Jordan has been the target of a spate of terror attacks at home, and against its diplomats

#### The King has deliberately courted bitter criticism

abroad. These have been directly linked to Damascus, and carried out by Palestinian fanatics under the leadership of the shadowy Abu Nidal, the man also responsible for ordering the attempted murder of the Israeli ambassador to London in June, 1982, Authenticated claims for the attacks - which have given Amman something of a siege atmosphere, because of the heavy security they have required - singled out attempts by the King to take up the Palestinian cause as one reason for the campaign. This week .41 Baath, the paper of Syria's ruling party, condemned the recall of parliament as underlining Jordan's failure to recognize the existence of a

Palestinian land or people. Explaining the King's reasoning for openly defying the radicals, rather than opting for a policy of inertia, one policy adviser said: "It looks very much to me as if the Middle East may be in for a period of redrawing political, and perhaps physical, maps. The worst thing we can do is remain silent. We have to to commit himself to such a move, be seen to be positive, and to be

in the Arab world the linchpin of his strategic agreement, he is not hopeful of much encouragement from Washington.

Mr Yitzhak Shamir, Israeli Prime Mr Arafat in the direction of to outflank him completely and agree to go to the negotiating table

1977, unexpected gestures of exceptional bravery can occasionally penetrate the accumulated legacy of Arab-Israeli distrust. But King Husain, lately in trouble economically because of a sharp downturn in aid received from fellow Arabs as a front-line state, is considered not in a position to make an equivalent leap in the dark. For this reason alone, a senior PLO representative said here recently: "1984 will not be year of gathering cards towards a

Under present conditions, such lack of promise fills western governments with deep foreboding.

being swept away by a tide of

Personally depressed about the prospects for the immediate future, the King - who has made the search for consensus rather than unanimity foreign policy - is keenly aware that much depends on America's willing ness to restrain Israel, Particularly on the vital issue of continuing Jewish settlement in the West Bank In presidential election year, and in the wake of the Israeli-American

The gloom about the prospects for an early shift in the log-jam has been increased by Israel's staunch opposition to the Reagan initiative, plus the fact that even should the Jordanian monarch and the PLO chief reach agreement soon, there is little chance the outcome would be acceptable to Israel.

Minister, has flatly ruled out talks with with any Palestinians aproved by the PLO, as well as with PLO men themselves. Though analysis see King Husain as willing to prod moderation, few predict that he would be willing in the near future without at least this tacit approval.

As with the late President Sadat in

## Cuts the councils must not evade

Jock Bruce-Gardyne

**Peter Kellner** 

The wages of sin

are not for the poor

According to one definition, mora- to whichever status makes them

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ber benefits.

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poorest. For example, the basic unemployment benefit for a single

man is £27.05 a week: he could not

claim the extra £16.70 for a

common-law wife. A marriage certificate is needed to unlock the

The Department of Health and

Social Security, however, needs no marriage certificate to deprive

cohabiting couples of their benefits as "single" people. If a woman

claiming supplementary benefit is found cohabiting with a man in

work, she is deemed to be "married"

and consequently dependent on him. This frequently puts an end to

The DHSS determines cohabi-

tation by the "three-day rule", if the

same man is seen by a DHSS official

leaving the same woman's home on

three consecutive mornings, the

couple are considered to be cohabit-

ing, and the woman is liable to lose

What is more, concealment of

ohabitation is a criminal offence.

While the unmarried rich secure handsome rewards for asserting their status as single people, the

unmarried poor risk imprisonment if they seek to assert the same status.

Nor are the hazards for the poor

at all fanciful. Not long ago a woman

in Bishops Stortford was charged

with fraud after DHSS officials

staking out her front door saw the

same man emerging day after day on his way to work. She sought help from the Child Poverty Action

Group.
The CPAG found that she was a

victim of the classic "back-door-front-door" problem: her child's father, who had left her some time

earlier, regularly paid a brief morning visit to see his child on his

way to work. His natural route was

to enter by the back door and leave

by the front. Only when this was

established in court was the criminal

charge against the woman dropped.

I cannot imagine anyone, least of

all ministers who say they want to

strengthen "the family", defending

this contrast between the stick for

the poor and the carrot for the rich.

lity is what the rich choose to preach

and the poor are required to practise. A trifle cynical perhaps, but

highly applicable to this Govern-

In their 1979 manifesto the

Conservatives said that one of their

main tasks would be "to support

family life". Last year's manifesto contained a section headed "Re-

sponsibility and the family". The casual reader might think that Mrs. Thatcher's team would act to

strengthen the institution of mar-

riage. So far as the rich are

concerned, the casual reader would

One well-to-do couple I know (with children) are thinking of

getting married. I suggested that it

might cost them more than they

thought. It was not until I did some

notional sums, with help from the Institute for Fiscal Studies, about

the tax position of professional

couples - especially couples with children - that I realized how high

Consider the following Benny and Jenny are married with two

children. Husband and wife each

earn £20,000 a year; each has an additional £5,000 of investment

income. They have a mortgage of

£60,000 on their house, and the interest rate is 11.5 per cent.

To minimize their tax bill they

elect to have their earnings taxed

separately, although this means that Benny cannot claim the married

man's personal tax allowance.

Because they are married, they can

claim tax relief only on the first

£30,000 of their mortgage, and all their investment income is taxed as

if it comes to Benny. Jenny's tax bill

this year will be £5,877; Benny's will be £8,973. Total tax: £14,850.

Benny and Jenny - same income,

same mortgage, same number of

children - except for one thing: they are not married. Despite, or rather

because of, the fact that their status is one of which, one would presume.

the authors of the last two

Conservative manifestoes would

disapprove, the taxman actually

smiles more benignly on the sinful

couple.

Both Horace and Doris claim an

additional personal allowance - the same as the married man's allow-

ance - because Horace accepts

formal responsibility, as a single parent, for one child and Doris for

the other. They share ownership of their house, and as both are entitled

to tax relief on £30,000 of mortgage

debt, their joint entitlement covers

the whole £60,000. Their investment

income is taxed separately. The result: Horace and Doris each have a

tax bill of £6,120, a total of £12,240.

So Horace and Doris's tax bill this

year is £2,610 lower than Benny and

Jenny's, a saving for the cohabiting pair of £50 a week.

For the cohabiting poor, however, it is a very different kettle of bureaucratic fish. Essentially the

state decides whether to treat them

as "married" or "single" according

Horace and Doris are similar to

that cost might be.

ment's attitude to the family.

a considerable relief to the officers of the Guildford Conservative Association. For only a week before they had been warned by their Member of Parliament, David Howell, that they were facing the prospect of "ukases" which would put our "ancient customs and liberties" at risk and all this from a Tory government. On Monday Mr Howell was less alarmist, conceding that Patrick Jenkin's Rates Bill reflects legitimate concern about the behaviour of a handful of tearaway Labour councils, and drawing the line only at the generalized power the Government seeks to "cap" the rate-raising discretion of any erring

Still, there is no denying that Mr Howell's distress is widely shared on the Tory benches. Mr Beaumont-Dark substitutes "diktat" for "ukase", while Mr Geoffrey Rippon has asked the Leader of the House to take it off and bury it (Mr Biffen silkily reminded Mr Rippon that, as a senior Privy Councillor, he would have a priority chance to make his case against it when it comes to Parliament on Tuesday next - a chance of which, I am sure. Mr Rippon will cancel all competing commitments to avail himself). So Mr Jenkin is in for a rough time.

Given the whips powers of persuasion and the Government's majority, he will no doubt survive in the Commons. The Lords may prove a tougher proposition, al-though personally I should have thought my noble colleagues might be well advised to pause before embarking on the emasculation of a measure for which the Government has a clear, specific, and very recent electoral mandate. But we might all pause over the substance of the argument about local democracy and accountability.

In his letter to his constituents, David Howell argued that the ratepayers would be "best protected by the ballot-box". Well, perhaps they might, in a perfect world in which taxation and representation were matched. The local authorities collect two-

fifths of their own cash from those who have no votes at all: the business ratepayers. And only one in three of those who do have the right to vote our local masters into office is called upon to pay the rates in full, Nor is it altogether true that irresponsible profligacy is confined to Labour's rotten boroughs. Certainly the share of national wealth absorbed by local government expenditure has shrunk but only

because the councils have slashed the capital works they put out to the private sector by 50 per cent. Their current spending, on salaries and manpower, has continued to grow.

by 10 per cent more than the general run of prices. And while the Government did succeed in persuading the town halls to shed a tiny 24 per cent of their two and a half million payroll between 1979 and 1983, it has now started to creep up again. According to the latest figures, in the year to last September the English local authorities recruited an extra 1,600 librarians, and almost 4.000 extra miscellaneous worthies (anything from treasurers to follippp ladies). And while the Sheffields.

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throughout, one wonders why trucblue Devon felt the need last year to take on another 400 full-time employees and 350 half-timers, and Lewisham an extra 750 (even David Howell's Guildford added marginally to its town hall troops). There is no denying that legis-lation to limit the freedom of councillors to turn the screws on their ratepayers diminishes the autonomy of local government. But it is worth bearing in mind that Scottish Secretary George Younger already has the power to issue "ukases" - and has already used it. So far as I am aware the citizens of

Hackneys and Islingtons have naturally carried on recruiting

plained, or felt themselves reduced to serfdom. Besides, what is the alternative? David Howell suggests centrally funded education, a sharp reduction Exchequer grants, and more frequent elections. But surely contrally funded education would inevitably diminish local autonomy. not enhance it: and of course reductions in the rate support grant from the Treasury have only spuned too many local authorities (not all of them Labour-controlled) to make good the difference from the rates.

Lothian have not notably com-

Nor. as Mr Howell himself acknowledges, would any of the various canvassed alternatives to rating take us very far to matching votes with taxes unless both rebairs and exchequer grants were aiso drastically reduced. If local autilorities were picked by those who paid for local services and chose their own priorities. I would agree that their lavishness or penny-pinching would not be the proper concern of Whitehall. But as they aren't and don't, neither House of Parliament should feel exclusive obligation 10 the town hall councillors.

## Bernard Levin: the way we live now

## If these bones lie at peace, civilization can surely rest

York: the area wing cleared for building, and that archaeological trust was cating the site before the owner ansbury's, just to make the meet unsbury's just piquant – buriec whole thing, presumably und supermarket. osity, her interest being limited to ensuring, when the Sainsbury's End of first echo.

The bones from graves which were beli to be, though the documents not ample enough for anyc be quite stare, those of Jews; the in which the cemetery lay. It is in which the cemetery lay. It is in which the cemetery lay. It is more than nevitained in all previous histo though (third, ironical, echo) though (third, ironical, echo) the century had more than a tout the murderous frenzy that rage tivilized Europe less than SO year.

The archaeolc who wished to supermarket was erected on the site, that it would be amply stocked with Muesli and unsweetened yoghurt, and that fole gras and South African orange juice would be rigorously excluded from its shelves.

And yet it seemed to me that something of great enduring value in human civilization is contained in the archaeologists' initial desire to examine the bones, in the Chief Rabbi's gently phrased appeal to them to desist, and in their ready willingness to relinquish their quest in what they recognized as a higher

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The archaeolc who wished to study and meas the bones to see what could be they belonged.
Immanuel Jakief Rabbi, Sir sidering such evits. After conhad found, he are as the diggers wishes were at them – and his work on the met – to cease bones and rebuination of the had been found hem where they reverence due reason was "the which once bo mortal remains hallmark of the incomparable which, we believe image, and able right to sthave an inaffer-added that "dig and sturbed". He remains, even shown to human could contributives after death, scientific inqui human civilizainterest. The archaeologists were driven by one of the noblest urges that civilized men and women can feel: the desire to join hands with the past and thus come closer to understanding both the past itself and what it can teach us about the present. When Schliemann sent his famous telegram, "I have looked on the face of Agamemnon", he was, as it transpired, mistaken; but the treasure he found at Mycenae was none the less far more valuable than the gold it was made of or the beauty of its workmanship, for it was a link with a story that has so far held captive the imagination of the world for 28 centuries, and shows no sign at all of letting go.

So it was with Knossos, with Tutankhamun, with that amazing mosaic floor hard by Chichester, with the Ming Tombs of China, with Guardian. than pages of The today has a lich no newspaper writers who wer proportion of Rabbi's attig regard the Chief every spadeful of earth carefully dug out of any archaeological site and examined carefully for evidence of the people who had preceded them there, with Professor Glob and the perverse: I an as bizarre or that Miss Politire, for instance, recently wavin oynbee, who was relief at having inter hysterical with not only left igund a nun who had faith on the in proper but lost had bodies he kept finding in a perfect state of preservation, beneath Denmark's watery soil, even with those splendid lunatics who bur-rowed their way into a hill beneath faith on the we on vent but lost her the taintest id ut, would not have was going out what the old boy matter precibout, and for that little of what which they were convinced King Arthur was buried, and who emerged from the tunnel without

inspired the archaeologists curi- Excalibur but with undiminished conviction.

I doubt if there is any such thing as a legend without some foundation in truth and history - no. not so much as Adam and Eve or Cinderella - and the desire to dig up even a single strand of evidence and patiently unravel it is one that should be, and is, admired by anybody with any imagination at all.

It is surely a measure of the York archaeologists seriousness about their work that they so clearly understood and complied with the Chief Rabbi's wishes. All real archaeologists approach the past with the same attitude: reverence. The reverence is due to the past itself, if the diggers at York had found medieval kitchen utensils instead of bones they would have carried them no less carefully to their laboratory. But the reverence due to death, which was the Chief Rabbi's concern, intensifies the feeling of a meeting with the past. for it provides a link with a past that antedates the past itself, and must raise, in any mind not inextricably entangled in the belief that nothing could contribute more than any scientific enquiry to human civilization", the question of why the dry bones once lived, and what breathed the life into them.

The reverence accorded to death is one of the oldest and most powerful ideas in human beings - so old, indeed, and so deeply embedded in so many societies, that it is hard to resist the conclusion that it must be biological; it would be as surprising to find an era or a culture that did not surround death with elaborate and profound beliefs and rituals as it would be to find a race of men with three legs. Some societies bury their dead, some burn them, some mummify and preserve them, some even eat them; all, however, start and finish with the same attitude, which is that in the presence of death we are as close as may be to solving the riddle of life,

and it is therefore fitting that we should approach it in a spirit of awe. Why, of all the miracles, is it the raising of Lazarus that is the most powerful in its effect on our imagination and feelings? Because it cancelled the most uncancellable of debts, reversed the most irreversible of movements, denied the most palpable of proofs; if this man can annul death, then surely he is no man at all, and will one day annul his own,

So it is with the bones at York and the truth that the Chief Rabbi seized upon. There is an instinct in us all that he encapsulated when he spoke of "the reverence due to mortal remains which once bore the incomparable hallmark of the divine , and added that "the dignity shown to human remains" was a mark of true civilization. One of the greatest terrors that haunts any deathbed is that of the casual or contemptuous disposal of the dying one's body. Our modern "rationalist" would smile at something so primitive and superstitious as the belief that a dead body could matter to its previously living owner, and would never seek to enquire. however rationally, where the belief comes from, and why it is so strong. But that, after all, is why I have put rationalists" in quotation marks. No one can now match a name or

a face to a single bone of the great ossuary found at York. But it is not necessary to do so; it is necessary only to remember that those dea bones were once clad in flesh, and at once the mystery of life itself springs from the ground to confront us. I saw a man die: he was a London

bricklayer's labourer with seven children. He left seventeen pounds club money; and his wife spent it all on his funeral and went into the workhouse with the children next day. She would not have spent sevenpence on her children's schooling, the law had to force her to let them be taught gratuitously; but on death she spent all she had.

That passage is from Man and Superman, and it puts the opposite case very well. Those who know the play, however, will recall that the speaker is the Devil. The Chief Rabbi, and the York Archaeological Trust, know better, and those bones may now sleep soundly, undisturbed by the trolleys of Sainsbury's customers, until they wake never to

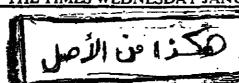
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Reform would be a complex business, however, unless this or some future government were willing to pay out the vast sums involved in letting everyone choose for themselves whether to be treated

by the state as "single married", whatever their actual status. Some obvious reforms could still be introduced in the next budget. especially at the richer end. But the overriding rule should

surely be that whatever cohabitation rules apply to the poor apply to everyone. The grotesque practice of DHSS snoopers staking out rundown council estates would soon be forced to cease if they were also let loose on the grand homes of Belgravia, the opulent villages of Surrey and Mrs Thatcher's better-off constituents in Finchley.

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## AN INFLATIONARY WARNING

Money supply growth is once building will have to be financed inflation further, the expansion again challenging the Goverment's targets. The 11/2 per cent December rise in sterling M3 puts this measure of the money supply perilously close to the top end of the 7 to 11 per cent target range, while M1 and PSL2 - the other measures watched by the authorities - continue to run above it.

The high rate of monetary expansion is partly the consequence of the budget deficit being larger than intended, but mostly it can be attributed to the remarkable strength of private sector loan demand. The London clearing banks' statistical unit says in its monthly statement that, although there may be some problems with the seasonal adjustment, "the growth in advances in December seems to have been appreciably higher than in recent months". The prospect is for further acceleration of bank lending growth and, hence, of the monetary aggregates - in the near future. So far the upturn in credit has been mainly to persons for hire purchase and mortgages and to a lesser extent to miscellaneous categories such as unincorporated businesses and agriculture. Manufacturing industry bas, if anything, been repaying bank

But this will not continue. With the economic recovery gathering momentum industry will soon need to start increasing stock levels. Renewed stocklargely by bank borrowing, reinforcing private sector loan demand.

In 1983 bank lending to the private sector expanded by about 15 per cent. There are many indications that an even higher figure - perhaps as much as 20 per cent - is in prospect in 1984. Every new loan creates new bank deposits and extra bank deposits increase the money supply. An impossible problem of reconciling dynamic private sector credit with the offical monetary targets is emerging.

The Government's attitude must be very schizophrenic. On the one hand, it has to acknowledge that the private sector's urge to borrow has been the main force taking the economy out of recession. In particular, lending to persons has been a vital influence behind the buoyancy of consumer spending since the summer of 1982. If consumer spending had not been increasing for over a year, it is very likely that output and employment would still be deteriorat-

On the other hand, the Government is committed to monetary restraint as its main weapon for restoring stable prices. It knows very well that, if inflation is to be held down to present levels, bank lending cannot be allowed to grow by 20 per cent a year and the money supply by between 10 and 15 per cent. If the aim really is to cut of bank lending will have to moderate.

Difficulties in monetary control rarely have the same dramatic accompaniments as other financial problems, such as oldfashioned sterling crises. Indeed, it should be emphasized that the case for moving towards a period of restraint has nothing to do with the pound's weakness against the dollar. The dollar is strong against all currencies at present and its rise does not justify any special action by the Bank of England,

The reason for concern is instead the evident inconsistency between fast credit and money growth in the short run and the intention to restore price stability in the long run. The Government's embarrassment will become particularly acute in the next Budget. The mediumterm financial strategy requires that the money supply target in the coming fiscal year be slightly more restrictive than in 1983/84. The target band is supposed to be lowered from 7 to 11 per cent at present to 6 to 10 per cent in 1984/85. But all the signs are that money growth will be higher in 1984/85 than in 1983/84.

With unemployment at three million and still not falling the Government must be reluctant to raise interest rates. But, if nothing is done to rein back credit and money growth, its anti-inflationary programme will begin to lose credibility.

## THE CAP DOES NOT FIT

The word has gone out to rally round Mr Patrick Jenkin in defence of his rate-capping Bill before it meets its second reading on Tuesday. Mr Brittan and Mr Lawson have both spoken in the past few days of its necessity, its protective purpose, and the Government's unswerving commitment to it. The Prime Minister herself has received a company of local Tory prominenti, most of them inclined to oppose the Bill. She sent them away with their tongues tied, in public. Whether she also drew their teeth remains to be seen.

Mr Jenkin set the tone for this collective effort in a New Year interview for the Conservative Party sheet Newsline. Perhaps they had all tended to dwell too much on squeezing down local authorities, he said. Virtuous as that employment is, the real point of the Bill was to afford protection for ratepayers, domestic and commercial, against the from 60 per cent to 51 per cent in dirigism; that the rate capping be inordinate demands of their councils. As for the much criticized general powers contained in the Bill, powers to set rate levels for every substantial council in the country (a dirigist ambition of paradoxical audacity in the party of small government): not to worry, we don't would have been more or less in ment reform.

like them either, and we hope we

never have to use them. This pose as the ratepayer's friend has to be viewed in the light of experience. It is perfectly true that ever since it came in in 1979 the Government has been hammering away at local authorities to cut back the rate of responded to the full extent demanded, though they have responded better than the heaviest-spending departments directly under the Government's control. And some councils have gone tearing on more or less

regardless. However, the effect of this on rate demands has been magnified by the Government's own policies, by design or by miscarriage. It has been the Government's intention steadily to reduce the proportion of local expenditure covered by Treasury grant. The proportion has fallen these five years - a deliberate selective only; that the criteria of transfer of taxation to the rates selection be made more objecfrom other sources, a policy of tive and less discretionary than rate-inflation. Had the grant they are in the text of the Bill; proportion been held constant and that the whole exercise be the rise in the rate level from regarded as preparatory to a 1979 to last year would have more constructive (and more been a third less than it was, and Tory) measure of local govern-

pace with the rise in the cost of

living. But the really excruciating rate rises have occurred in a few, mostly big-city, areas. There there has been "overspending" on almost any definition of the term. But again the effect on actual rate demands has been increase of their current expendi- blown up by almost random ture. They have not collectively results of changes in grant distribution and by special penalties devised by the Government for the worst offenders. It is the interaction of the councils' financial policies and the Government's grant policies that has produced the extreme cases banditry in the guise of taxation.

The need to stop it is now undeniable. Neglect of the structures of local government has made the crude method adopted in the Bill unavoidable. In conceding that, Parliament should yet insist that the Bill be shorn of its general powers of

Undoubtedly the style of the

present Pope, John Paul II, is

attractive to the present incum-

bent of the White House - cynics

might say one media star appreciating another, after all

they were both actors in their

youth. The Pope does forcefully

maintain that religious and

moral values should be integral

to an international dialogue

which might otherwise degener-

ate into a mere conflict of state

interests; and there are many

other instances of its conciliatory

diplomatic influence. It is a pity

that its record is blemished by a

refusal to recognize Israel which

cannot be convincingly explained

away on the grounds that Israel

has not yet concluded a peace

## THE POPE'S DIVISIONS

Within the United States

itself, the Roman Catholic

Church is already established as

the largest single denomination

and the Roman Catholic bishops

as an important voice in national

There are many in the United

States, indeed, who now claim

that Hispanic immigration,

illegal and legal, together with a

higher than average birth rate,

could give that church an overall

majority by the end of the

century. But it is less and less a

monolithic church, with a distinc-

tive pluralism owing as much to

its diverse ethnic sources as to

the expanding limits of Roman

Catholic opinion. Some of the

world's most progressive pro-

gressives and the world's most

conservative conservatives are

contained within its embrace.

What is more significant is the

gradual eclipse of the old White

Anglo-Saxon Protestant ascend-

ancy, both under the pressure of

non-WASP immigration and the

decline of the influence of the

Eastern Seaboard, California has

less reason for fastidiousness in

its relations with the papacy

than New England. Apart from

anything else, history is worn

The diplomatic recognition of the Holy See by Britain in 1982, and by Norway, Sweden, and Denmark last year, must have made it a little easier for the United States to countenance such a step, but yesterday's announcement by the White House and the Vatican still has a note of defiance about it: defiance of the extreme church and state separationist lobby, that peculiarly American alliance of all sorts of vested interests. President Ronald Reagan may well have calculated that as many votes are to be gained as to be lost by normalizing his country's relations with the Vatican, and at the end of the day defeat or re-election will turn on many more significant issues than that one.

The United States Congress, asked to pave the way for recognition diplomatic repealing the ban on funds, 116 years old, for such an exchange of ambassadors, found no great difficulty in doing so, knowing well what was likely to follow. And what has followed is indeed a tribute from the United States to the papacy, the predominant temporal force in the world acknowledging the predominant spiritual force in the world.

Places where they sing

Sir. Barbara Gwinnell's letter (Dec-

ember 31) is misleading in its

conclusions and she certainly sings a

up of a majority of youngsters who

aren't choristers and a minority who

are. There is therefore no reason

why girls shouldn't be admitted to

choir schools. Whether or not girls

should sing in the associated-

cathedral or collegiate choir is a

totally different matter, which must

education at a choir school.

Choir schools are generally made

superficially attractive siren-song!

From Mr A. N. Fairbairn

more lightly there. choir is one of immense importance in the development of the European choral heritage and for which so much music, especially ecclesiastical music, has been written from the

beginning of the Christian era. Furthermore, the danger is that mixing treble with young girls voices, besides producing a quite different tonal result, will result in an even greater decline in the number of boys coming forward for voice trails and consequently in the number of boys being able to read music by sight by the time their voices break.

not be confused with boarding In its turn, this will tend to reduce The boy treble voice produces a the number of men who can read very different tone and result from music and be willing to take up singing in choirs and choral societies the mixed-voice choir of men and women. The peculiar sound of treble as tenors and basses, let alone as and men's voices in the all-male counter-tenors.

treaty with all her neighbours. But as the British Government itself recognized in 1982, since the Holy See can be an influence for good on the stage of world affairs, discreet encouragement, such as that symbolized by formal diplomatic recognition, is right in the circumstances. Stalin asked: "How many divisions has the Pope?" If his successor in the Kremlin felt safe enough to extend Soviet diplomatic recognition to the Vatican, he might be surprised by the answer he would now receive to that question. Men's voices in choirs and

chorales are at a premium now, they would become positively gilt-edged if your correspondent's superficially attractive suggestion was taken too

seriously. Of course, girls should be encouraged to sing in mixed choirs and, as is the case increasingly up and down the land, in church choirs, but their active encouragement to participate in cathedral and collegiate-type choirs will almost certainly drive out rather than encourage the entry of boys.

Yours faithfully, ANDREW N. FAIRBAIRN, Director of Education, Leicestershire, County Hall, Glentield, Leicester. January 3.

#### Steps to prevent glue-sniffing

From Dr James B. McWhinnie Sir. The letters of Mrs Atkins, of January 7, and of Mrs Joy, of December 24, illustrate the concern about how to respond when encountering children glue-sniffing. Not everyone may be aware, however, that, although solvent abuse as such is not illegal, the police are empowered, under section 28 of the Children and Young Persons Act 1969, to detain juveniles at risk by taking them to a place of safety.

This is used by several police forces until parents or other services can as soon as possible be contacted and can lead to appropriate professional advice to the family. Where, as Mrs Atkins suggests,

discretion may discourage direct intervention, an approach to the police could thus result in responsi-bility being returned to parents with opportunity for further help. The main risks of glue-sniffing are those of suffocation and from

behaviour where judgment seriously disturbed rather than the direct poisonous effects of the substances themselves. Honest. health education about this is urgently required for children, parents and professional workers. Experience increasingly indicates that dramatic exaggeration of the direct toxicity of glues, as opposed to

risks of sniffing associated with how and where this is done, is the least likely way, as with other unwelcome protest activities of youth, to cause it to disappear. Yours faithfully JAMES B. McWHINNIE.

2 Norham End. Oxford. January 9.

#### Press intrusion

From Dr Richard Wyndham

Sir, On each occasion that the maggots of Fleet Street cause outrage to ordinary decent people by their excesses you give us the same pious claptrap, to the effect that the freedom of the press is sacrosanct and must be preserved by self-regulation rather than by external control

Your exhortation in today's leader (January 3) to the editors of the gutter press to be "decent chans' and to leave the Royal Family alone whilst on holiday has as much sense as a request to the Devil to denounce sin and is as likely to be successful. What is needed is a right to

privacy enshrined in the criminal law and the Press Council to be given the power to suspend publication of newspapers which offend against an agreed code of behaviour. I think you have to bit the newspaper proprietors where it hurts and go on hitting them until it is just

not economic to publish this type of material. No doubt Fleet Street would say it is only fulfilling a public demand. but this is exactly how the drug pedlar and the pornographer try to justify their activities and should be met with the same rejection.

Yours faithfully, RICHARD WYNDHAM, Edge-ogs, The Croft, Old Costessey,

## House decay

January 3.

From Mr T. H. Hughes-Davies Sir. As Schedule A showed, a hefty tax on houses against which repairs and improvements could be set would not produce much revenue. But it might reduce dilapidation more cheaply and effectively than subsidies, especially if expenses could be balanced over five or 10

Yours sincerely, T. H. HUGHES-DAVIES, 6 Tavistock Court, Tavistock Square, WC1.

## Rates Bill spending

From Mr I. D. Coutts Sir, Your leader on the Rates Bill (December 21) is surely wrong in suggesting that constitutional issues are involved. If the Government had chosen to reduce local govern-ment expenditure by transferring education to the direct control of education boards financed by central government that would no more have been a constitutional matter than was the transfer of water and sewerage to the water authorities or hospitals to the health

service. The fact that they have chosen to place a limit on a local authority's ability to levy rates is surely a localist solution to the problem of local government expenditure rather than a centralist one. The transfer of services would mean control from Whitehall, whereas the Govern-

#### Rail archive disposal From Mr David Milbank Challis

Sir. To take the British Railways Board's reply (December 23)entirely at face value one might easily be led to assume that Dr P. W. Lewis's original assertions (December 17) were unfounded.

Probably the Public Record Office and even the National Railway Museum should review theirrespective policies on this matter, but for the board to question their roles is merely a distraction. The central issue, to which the Chief Secretary failed to respond, concerns the future of the vast bulk of historical, documentary material, mainlyinherited, still in the board's custody and/or in use by railway

Mr Burt may well believe that a simple restatement of the require-ments of the Acts (1962, 1968) is considered cavalier (when all hissufficient to nullify the questions torical records are offered to the

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#### Pressure to refor From Mr Frank Field, MP

Birkenhead (Labour)

LETTERS 1

Sir, The Treasury's review of revenue lost from granting over different tax allowances (rep January 9) should be welcon However, the "cost" of gran these tax allowances is prob-higher than your Economics Co

spondent reports. This year of half of all personal income will exempted from tax by one or of of the numerous tax allowances r on offer. This welfare state - for that

what tax allowances are - has th major drawbacks. As tax allowan favour those on high incomes the class differences. Each tax allowar helps narrow the tax base and results in our income tax syste being characterised by a low threshold, together with high mighal rates of tax. A tax allowan system also adds power to patern istic politicians.

You report Mrs Thatcher believing "in using the tax system promote the things . . . which s supports." I believe this to be m only wrong, but dangerous. Aft raising revenue to finance publi expenditure governments shoul trust people to spend their ne incomes as they wish and not brib them into a pattern of expenditur approved by politicians.

Pressure for reforming the ta allowance system does not comonly from right-wing groups which Studies' criticism of occupational pensions - distorting saving choices inhibiting job mobility, giving too much power to the big financial institutions and deterring the spread of wealth because pensions cannot

#### Wide legal training

From Professor Jeffrey Jowell Sir, None of your correspondents on the subject of legal education has to date considered the content of that education in today's universities and polytechnics. Roger Scruton (feature. December 20) is wrong if he thinks that disciplines other than law have no place in the current legal curriculum.

Judge Head's view (December 31) that legal education is irrelevant because the law learnt during that education changes over time is based upon an even more profound misconception.

Good legal training today at-tempts much more than a study of existing rules of law as if they were engraved in stone. Students examine laws critically and consider the process of discovering and applying both rules and broader principles governing relations in our society.

They look also at our various techniques for resolving conflict in national and international settings, at law's role in the allocation of resources, and at the capacity of law to guide and control behaviour (including official behaviour).

This kind of training does draw

#### Church and remarriage From the Rev Dr Gerard McKay

Sir. In the continuing correspondence on Anglican proposals for the remarriage of divorcees Mr Lewis Stretch's contribution (December 27) on the ancient Christian churches' practice in this matter is gratuitously offensive.

By his reference to a declaration of nullity one has to conclude the object of his abuse is the tribunals of the Catholic Church. It could well be that the system is on occasion manipulated; it is quite another thing to assert unreservedly ecclesiastical tribunals are nothing but institutionalised hypocrisy.

It begs the question to say that a relationship seemingly enjoying its blessings is necessarily a marriage: the complexity of the human person and personal relationships is sometimes such to make things other than what they first appear to be. Yours faithfully,

GERARD MCKAY. Roman Catholic Scottish National 22 Woodrow Road, Glasgow.

ment's proposals leave control of the operation of the various services in the hands of local councillors (despite protestations to the contrary

by some councillors). Where you are right is in underlining the expenditure prob-lems within local government. Here it is doubtful whether the Government's proposals go far enough in eliminating the gross disparities that exist between one authority and

another.

The accepted total expenditure of local government is now broken down between one authority and another on the basis of average unit costs and the number of people in each group (children under five, old people over 75, etc). When one compares this assessment amongst the Norfolk district councils for 1984-85 with their budgets for the previous year one finds Norwich (a Labour-controlled authority) spend-

public repositories. The following

raised, but the poor track record over the past few years hardly supports such a belief. Documentary PRO) wor such dispo The for records have been disposed of and Bethnal destroyed without adequate evalumore mus ation and, in many instances, before any reference was made to potential

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examples illustrate this failure. A close scrutiny of plans (emanating from King's Cross) recently on sale at Collectors' Corner, Euston, clearly revealed material that rightly belonged in an archive of records accessible to public use and research: how were such items evaluated for such "profitable disposal"? The Stephenson plans, purchased

at auction by Ove Arup & Partners in 1969, are typical of railway Yours sincer company documents that continue to appear on the antiquarian market: Brentwood,

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DAVID MIL CHALLIS. 4 Oliver Road

## Off the track in wartime India

From Mr Philip Mason

Sir, May I ask you to make public some of the grosser omissions from the Granada film. The War of the Springing Tiger, shown on ITV on January 4? They constitute a departure from historical truth and an affront to many gallant men.

The first is that as soon as the British forces in Malaya surrendered, the Japanese separated Indian other ranks from their officers, British and Indian.

Indian other ranks knew that they had been deseated and that they had been ill-equipped compared with the Japanese and badly supported by armour and from the air. They were told that the war was over and the British finished and were given a choice between servile forced labour for Japanese troops - digging harrines is often quoted - with no hope of return to India, and service in a new army that would fight for the new independent India of the future as allies of the Japanese.

Many chose the latter with no understanding of the true situation; when they found themselves in Burma opposed to their former comrades many of them wished to return to their allegiance but hesitated until they were told by leaflets dropped from the air that they would not be shot out of hand; many of them then came over and others tried to but were prevented.

The second matter, wholly omitted from the film, is that a majority resisted attempts to recruit them into the new army and remained true, in the Indian phrase, to the salt they had eaten. This was more than half of the total. These men were subjected to heavy pressure, sometimes to torture and extreme brutality, accompanied by gross humiliation.

Another most important point was the extreme concern of Field. Marshall Auchinleck for the future of the Indian Army after Independence, which he believed was imminent. He has never received sufficient credit for this, Yours faithfully.

PHILIP MASON. Hither Daggons. Cripplestyle. near Fordingbridge. Hampshire. January 5.

#### Peace studies

From Mr John Ferguson Sir. Roger Scruton's article, "Time to wage war on peace studies" (January 3), is scarcely balanced. I was the first external examiner in peace studies at the University of Bradford and made it abundantly clear that my evaluation of students' work would not be affected by their

conclusions. I wanted to be assured that candidates had considered the issues of disarmament. If they weighed the case for disarmament and held that "there is no way to preserve peace in Europe without matching the armaments and blocking the expansionist policies of the Soviet Union", and showed intellectual rigour and clarity in doing their first, if they parroted a disarmament position weighing the other positions they would be lucky to receive a degree at

Similarly I wanted them to consider a situation of conflict, say, in the Middle East. If they put a pro-Israeli or pro-Palestinian case without weighing the other side they would be penalized. If they showed a clear understanding of the reasons motivating both groups and came down in the end upon one side they might do well, though I was most interested in those who asked what, as the Secretary General's represen-

tative, they might achieve. Here in the Selly Oak Colleges we have been developing peace studies on a co-operative basis. We go to some trouble to ensure that the Government's voice is heard, and there is certainly considerable diversity of views among our students.

Yours. JOHN FERGUSON, President. Selly Oak Colleges. Birmingham.

## Royal Family duties

From Mr Anthony Tilke Sir. Engagements carried out by Prince and Princess Michael of Kent are omitted from the letter you publish annually for they are not recorded in the Court Circular. My figures for Prince and Princess Michael in 1983 are compiled from a variety of sources:

In UK Prince Michael Princess Michael 30 Joint visits

The great difference between these figures and those for other members of the Royal Family (apart from the non-recording in the Court Circular) is that Prince and Princess Michael are not included in the Civil List. Yours faithfully. ANTHONY TILKE, 45h High Street.

#### Hertiordshire. January L Fair deal for Johnson

From Sir David Scrpell Sir. One must sympathise with the Chairman of The Johnson Society (January 6) but he, and we, may take comfort from what Augustine Birrell wrote in the first of the Johnson Club Papers, published in 1899.

Johnson he said, "has only a cracked stone and a worn-out inscription (for the Hercules in St Paul's is unrecognisable), but he dwells where he would wish to dwell - in the loving memory of men.

Yours sincerely. DAVID SERPELL. 25 Crossparks. Dartmouth.

## Devon.

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## **COURT** CIRCULAR

as Lady in Waiting to The Queen. YORK HOUSE ST. JAMES'S PALACE

January 10: The Duchess of Kent today visited the Norwich Insti-tution for the Blind, Norwich. Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Mrs

The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester will attend a concert to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the death of Sir Edward Elgar at the Festival Hall, on February 23.

#### **Forthcoming** marriages

Captala the Hon J. N. Stopford and Miss B. M. MacDonald Milner The engagement is announced between Jeremy Stopford, Irish Guards, younger son of the late Earl of Courtown, and of the Countess of Courtown, of Jordans, Buckingham-shire, and Brouwen, daughter of Lieuteaant-Colonel and Mrs David MacDonald Milner, of Ashford Hill, cwbury, Berkshire,

and Miss k. A. Spencer
The engagement is announced between Sam, only son of the Hon Lady Younger, Old Park Farm House, Bosham, Sussex, and of the late Right Hon Sir kenneth Younger, and Katherine Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. K. cer, of Abergavenny, Gwent

The engagement is announced between William James Burgoyne, younger son of Mr and Mrs F. W. B. Baird, 45 Mill Hill, Waringstown. and Jessica Frances, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. W. Larmor, 180 Old Ballynahinch Road, Baillies Lisburn, Northern Ireland,

#### Mr A. M. O. Binns and Signorina M-A. Springolo

The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Dr and Mrs T. B. Binns. of The Causeway, Horsham, Sussex, and Maria-Adelaide, daughter of Comman-dante and Signora A. Springolo, of Viale XXIV Maggio, Treviso, Italy.

## NIr R. S. Gubbina and Misa C. M. Monro

The engagement is annou between Richard, younger son of the late Major M. N. T. Gubbins and Mrs E. E. Hay, of Harting, Petersfield, Hampshire, and Carolyn, daughter of Mr and Mrs P. A. S. Monro, of Wisborough Green,

#### aud Miss C. E. Menzles

The engagement is announced between lan, son of Mr and Mrs T. Ascot. Berkshire, and Cynthia, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Menzies, Kames, Duns, Berwickshire

## Mr N. G. Haves and Miss G. M. Baxter

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of Mr and Mrs D. G. Hayes, of Village Road, Enfield, and Gillian, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J. A. Baxter, of Wellington Road, Enfield.

## and Miss G. M. McIntyre

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr John Howard and the late Mrs Prue Howard. of Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire, and Gillian, daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Donald McIntyre, of Lochearnhead, Perthshire.

## Requiem Mass

Sir Relph Richardson

SANDRINGHAM

January 10: Lady Abel Smith has
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succeeded the Hon Mary Morrison
Succeeded the Hon Corpus Cinisu Chaica, Ma-Lane. WC2. Mr Michael Willia Chairman of the Catholic S Guild. Mr Lionel Jeffries and G. R. Leonard, national chaple the guild, read the lessons. Sir l Gielgud, CH, gave an address Geoffrey Shovelton sang f.

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and Miss F. M. Cameron The engagement is annorbetween David, only son of Mo-Mrs G. B. Reid, of Hartfield, S. and Putsy, twin daughter of M-Mrs M. D. Cameron, of London Mr J. M. D. Spackman and Miss H. C. Jackson

The engagement is announced between Jeremy, only son of Months A. W. D. Spackman Wokingham. Berkshire, and Claire, only daughter of Drand D. E. Jackson, of St Activities. Hertfordshire,

#### Mr I. D. Wilson amd Miss H. D. Allen

Mr R. Ballantyne

The engagement is annocabetween lan David, son of Ma Mrs B. G. Wilson, of Wi-Bradford, and Harriet Do: daughter of Professor and Mrs-Alien, of Canonbury, London, **Marriages** 

and Miss E. Dodds The marriage took place on Ja-5 at Merton Register Office (\*\*) Rupert Ballantyne, of Bradfor Avon, son of the late 's Ballantyne and of Mrs B. E-type, of Bowdon, Cheshire & Miss Elizabeth Dodds, of Rt Park, daughter of Mr and Mr. Dodds, of Oundle, Northambler

#### Baron J. H. de Halderang

and Miss P. J. Mills The marriage took place on Far January 6, in the Guards Ca.
Wellington Barracks between in
Jan de Haldevang, Scots Ga.
eldest son of Baron and Bars
von Haldenwang, of Cairo, in
and Miss Philippa Mills, daughet
Mr and Mrs Robin Mil. Barrington Grove, Burford, Co-shire. The Rev Colin Mcra officiated, assisted by Dom Ar-Sutch, OSB, and the Rev No.

Thomas. The bride was given in mage by her father and was attend in Frances and Alexandra Lord lips, Patricia Price, Eliane Lin Alice Lewes and Flona En Baron Bernhard de Haldevagis

Birthdays today The Right Rev J. A. Baker. : Mr Alan Bowness, 56; Mr Henryfenl, 41: Mr Neville Duke, at tir Marshal Sir Reginald Emsa 7: Lord Jacques, 79; Major Sakrk Milbank, 77; Mr Alastair Man, 46; Sir Anthony Nutting, 6 Mr Alan Paton, 81; Mr J. Recigh Beicher, 67; Air Marshal Schin Rogers, 56; Air Commode loy Tamblin, 58; Mr R. C. Tress, 6 Mr S. R. Walker, 92

## funeral service . Viorris Sogden

Archbishop of Canterbury Sir Relph Richardson
Requiem Mass for Sir R
Richardson was celebrated ye day by Bishop Agnellus Andre ward, Ring and warryr, Cam-

cology. King's College, London, inated. A reading was given by of G. Storey and an address by Dr Steinberg, Among those present

#### Luncheon

HM Inspectorate of Constabulary Sir Lawrence Byford, HM Chie Inspector of Constabulary, presided at the annual reunion function of HM Inspectorate of Constabulary held yesterday at New Scotland Yard. The principal guest was Mr Leon Brittan, Secretary of State for the Home Department, and others

the Home Department, and others present included; The Hon Douglas Hurd. Minister of State for the Home Department, Sir Robert Armstrong, Sir James Crare, Sir Bitan Cubbon, Sir James Haughton, Sir John Hill, Sie Eric Si Johnston, Sir Kennen Newman, Sir Colin Woods, Mr R 5 Barratt, Mr R H Barton, Mr J H Brownlow, Mr J Delhow, Mr N Gabratth, Mr D Hatsey, Mr C B Hewiti, Miss K Hill, Mr P Kavanagh, Mr A Lauphierre, Miss J 5 Law, Mr J T Manuel, Ar A Morrison, Mr P A Myers, Mr S N Patr., Mr M J Partridge, Mr S E Peck, Miss P Signworth, Mr H Taylor, Mr B Weigh, Mr P J Westbey and Mr J Woodcock.

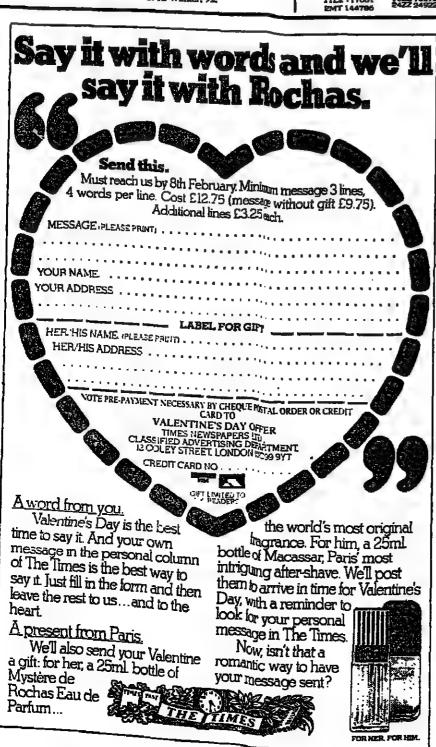
#### Dinner The Duke of St Albans

The Duke of St Albans gave dinner yesterday at Brooks's for some descendants of King Charles II and Nell Gwyn to celebrate the tercentenary of the creation of the dukedom of St Albans on January Dewar spoke. Among those present



## A reception was held at their \$5,000 Bond winners Automobile Club, Pall Mail.







Feeling is believing: Mrs Winifred Gillard-Cove, aged 79, who has recently had her sight partially restored, touching the Duchess of Kent's hair during a royal tour of the Institute for the Blind at Norwich yesterday. Mrs Gillard-Cove said she thought the duchess was wearing a white hat.

The institute will be taking

up to 20 students on the course,

which is aimed at first-year

undergraduates or school leavers, aged 18 to 20, who want to

find out more about art history

and archaeology. Students will have to pay for their accommo-

family and costs from £200 to £550 for the six weeks, depend-

Enrolment forms are avail-

able from the Anglo-Italian

## Academics offer aid | Storming win at for Italian studies

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

Scholarships for young people conservation of paintings, who want to study Italian art sculpture, monuments and and archaeology in Rome gardens and there will be 14 or during the Easter vacation are 15 lectures, one of which will be being offered by the AngloItalian Institute which was
formed a year ago by a group of
academics from Oxford UniverThe institute will be taking sity and the University of

Rome. The inaugural art history scholarship course, which takes place between March 26 and May 5 in a seventeenth-century palace on the Aventine Hill overlooking the Tiber, costs have to pay for their accommo-£575 for six weeks' tuition. Mr lain McGilchrist, the institute's arranged in an hotel or with a director and Quondam fellow of All Souls College, Oxford, said it was hoped to award 12 scholarships to cover all or part

The course is a specialist one Institute, Hillhampton House, in the connoisseurship and Sunningdale, Berkshire.

## Howell's School,

Denbigh

#### meen Lineidurga s School, Harrogate

Spring Term at Queen Ethelburga's School opens today. The junior department is progressing well and is increased in number again. House plays are in January (junior) and March (Senior). The visit of the exchange pupils from France is from March 9 to 23 and term ends on

## Clifton College

Term begins today. A. J. Townend (East Town) is head of school and M. R. Davies (North Town) second head of school. Confirmation by the Bishop of Bristol will be on Sunday.

March 4. A performance of Berlioz's

Te Deum will be given at the
Colston Hall on Tuesday, March 13.

in conjunction with the choral
societies of Badminton School and

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Week here Societies of bachmitch School and Clifton High School. Exeat is from February 18-21 (inclusive) and terms ends on March 28. The OC reunion will be held on May 19/20 for those born between 1927 and 1934.

#### St Audries School In 1984 the school celebrates its

ing on the circumstances.

Spring Term begins today at Howell's School, Denbigh. Scholarship examinations will take place at the school from January 25 to 27. Half term is from February 18 to 22. The school will be open to the public on Friday, March 16 from 2 pm onwards. Term ends on March 28.

Choon Ethelburga's

#### The annual inspection of the St John Nursing Cadet Division takes place on March 22 and there will be

a concert given by the school on March 25. Term begins today and ends on March 28. St Leonards School, St Andrews

## Spring term begins today and ends

on Wednesday, March 28, 1984. Half term will be Friday, February 17 to Tuesday February 21, 1984. Allhallows School

Lent Term at Allhallows School begins today and ends on Wednes day, March 28. Junior scholarship examinations will take place in the examinations will take place in the week beginning February 20. Closing date for applications February 4. Interviews for sixth form scholarships will take place on March 9/10. Closing date for applications February 24.

Harrogate College

for the spring term with 442 girls. 85 in the sixth form. Sarah Thompson is bead of school. Half term is from February 23 to 28 and term ends on

bridge congress

The Glasgow Bridge Centre, an amalgamation of two leading clubs.

the New Kenmure and St Mungo, beld its first congress at the Hydro

Latest appointments

Cobham Hall School

Cobham Hall School's Spring Term

begins today. Kate Pelham Burn continues as guardian. The confirmation service will be conducted by the Bishop of Tonbridge on March

14 and the performance of the school play will take place on March

#### **Burgess Hill School** for Girls

Spring Term began yesterday and ends on Friday. March 30. Half term will be from Friday, February 17. to Wednesday, February 22. The Golden Flute will be performed on

## Charterhouse

Long Quarter begins today. P. S. Montgomery is head of school and P. L. E. Doxey and T. E. Riley are deputy heads. P. S. Montgomery is captain of hockey and D. K. T. Adomakoh is captain of football-Exeat is from February 17-21 and the quarter ends on Saturday. March 24, The Ben Travers Theatre will be opened with a production of Thark from January 16-21.

## Science report

## Hope for endangered species

Scientists at San Diego Zoo in discoveries in genetic engineering and biotechnology to save endangered species and to lay the groundwork for gene therapy, in order to protect rare animals from genetic

The research needed before the new findings in molecular genetics can be applied to specific families of animals or varieties of plants is planned by Dr Oliver Ryder and Dr Kurt Benirschke, a director of the zoo and professor of pathology at the University of California's San Diego School of Medicine. Their work includes cryopreservation of skin cells of nearly 350 different animals from 120 species, in addition to a bank

of frozen sperm and ova. At present the semen is used for artificial insemination and the ova, which range in size from two cells to the blastocyst stage of several hundred cells, are implanted into females of the same or related species. The population of several threatened species such as the Arabian oryx and Przewalski's horse have been enlarged to the point where they could be reintroduced into the wild. Antelope have been bred in antelope by donor intervention and bantang, gaur and water buffalo have been bred from domestic cattle.

The consideration that has

to be given to a decision to try to sustain a wild population or to propagate in captivity an endangered species is de-scribed by Dr Ryder in the current issue of Genetic Engineering News. He says it

is difficult to decide which animals should be saved. There are about 800 endangered species of birds and mammals, and there is insufficient room in zoos to establish large enough populations to ensure the survival of all of them. He illustrates the method for making the selection opened by molecular genetics with a specific case. There are two species rhinoceros in Africa, the white and the black. The white variety is divided into two

subspecies, the northern found in Zaire and Sudan and the southern living in south-west Africa. It was thought some years ago that the southern rhinoceros was almost extinct but an intensive breeding programme at San Diego established a population of 50. The number of northern rhino in the wild is down to about 20

Dr Ryder says it is important to know, therefore, whether the northern and southern subspecies are significantly different, and whether they are fundamentally different in genetic terms from the black rhino. If any of them are genetically the same, much time, effort and money could

be saved by preserving only those animals with distinct differences. By the same token, if there are marked differences then all three rbinos should be saved. The issue was resolved by

using the method devised to make mans of the hundreds of genes which can be identified in a strand of DNA taken from the cell of a mammal. All three rhinoceros were found to be clearly distinguishable from each other and in Dr Ryder's view establishes that all three types should be saved. Similar investigations for other endangered families and for animals such as the gorilla, which is relatively long-lived but about which there is little genetic information. In addition to aiding conser-

vation, the genetics research is also throwing light on how similar or identical DNA sequences evolved evolutionarily. Living species of horse are well known for a divergence in the number of chromosomes they carry, varying from 66 in the Mongolian wild horse to 32 in the mountain zebra. Yet despite these differences, equine animals are known for their ability to reproduce interspecific sterile hybrids, suggesting high degree of genetic

similarity. Source: Genetic Engineering News, volume 3 no 6, Mary Ann Liebert Publishers, New York.

## **OBITUARY**

#### PRINCE SOUVANNA PHOUMA

## Former Prime Minister of Laos

Prince Souvanna Phouma, who was Prime Minister of Laos on several occasions in the years before the communist akover in 1975, died in Vientiane on January 10 at the age of 82.

Souvanna Phouma was a politician of personal charm, iberal values and cultivated tastes who stood for a time as a symbol of national reconciliation. His ability to perform that role depended in part on his personal relationship with his half-brother Prince Souphanouvong, the nominal head of the pro-communist Pathet Lao movement, and now President of the People's Democratic Republic.

In the event the failure of American policy in Vietnam left aos vulnerable to communist take-over, and Souvanna Phouma did not survive politically the internal transfer of power at the end of 1975.

Souvanna Phouma was born on October 7, 1901, in Luang Prabang into the junior branch of the royal family. He was trained as a civil engineer in Vietnam and France. In 1931 he entered the public works service of Indo-China, rising to the post of director of public works in

became involved in politics at the end of the Second World War during the interregnum before the return of the French. With two brothers he formed the Free Laos move-ment in opposition to French rule, and spent a short exile in Thailand. He returned to Laos after France recognized its independence in 1949.

Hotel, Peebles over the weekend under the auspices of the Scottish Bridge Union.

In the main event for the Grand In 1950 he became Minister of Public Works and in the following year, Prime Minister, a post he held for longer than Prix pairs Scottish internationals Willie Coyle and Jennifer Mona-chan had a storming third session to any other Laotian politician. He climb from ninth place to a comfortable victory. negotiated the full transfer of Gerald Haase and Albert Benja-min looked to have an unassailable sovereignty from France and represented Laos at the Geneva lead after two sessions but dropped to eighth place but in partnership with Mrs Benjamin and Mrs S. Will conference on Indo-China in mid-1954.

The terms of settlement for Laos reflected internal political W Coyle Mire J Monachan 1,949; 2 M runson I, Leutson 1,911; 3. D Landa 6 galan 1,916; 4 Mrs B Kay Mrs J Benson 871; 5. R Levitus I, Sarsby 1,855; 6 Mrs I, Fleming Mrs. V A Binsham 1,855; 7. Ir C Harrison Miss J Mactionals 1,806; 8. divisions which were also an expression of the unresolved conflict in neighbouring Vietnam. After Geneva Souvanna Phouma played the major role in negotiating with the Pathet Lao, and his enterprise was rewarded with their participation in November, 1957, in a government of national union. Mr Ian Phillipps, to be a member of the new Review Body for Nursing and Midwifery Staff and Professions Allied to Medicine.



Pathet Lao participation in government and subsequent electoral success. however, provoked a right-wing military reaction, and Souvanna Phou-ma left office to serve as ambassador to France during 1958-60.

He returned to the centre of the political stage after a coup detat in August, 1960, led by the paratroop captain, Kong Le. At that time Souvanna Phonma's neutral stance provoked That and American opposition, and he accepted Soviet support. He was forced into exile in Cambodia in December, 1960. but returned to high office after the conclusion of the Geneva conference on Laos in July, 1962, as head of another government of national union.

He was never able, however, to overcome deep-seated inter-nal political divisions, which were reinforced by external intervention. After an abortive attempt to restore political equilibrium in 1964 he leant progressively on American support as conflicts in Lace matched the polarization of forces in neighbouring Vietnam.

After the Paris peace agreement for Vietnam, a corresponding accord for Laos was concluded in 1973, and Souvanna Phouma headed yet another coalition government. This time he assumed little more than a caretaker role until his final resignation as Prime Minister on December 3, 1975. On resignation he was given a formal position as adviser to the new government, but played no part in the political fife of the People's Democratic Republic

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#### MR JAMES CUBITT

and he had two big projects as Mr James Cubitt, MBE, who died on December 16 in London at the age of 69, was Senior Partner of James Cubitt and Partners, the architects firm which he helped to found in 1948, and himself responsible school and university buildings in several countries of for its use of traditional the developing world.

He was born in May 1, 1914, and educated at Harrow and received his diploma from the Association Architectural School of Architecture. In 1940 he joined the Royal West African Frontier Force, and spent the war years with them, serving in Africa, India and

Burma. Those experieces gave Cubitt an interst in the countries of the developing world and when, with three other partners, he set up in practice in 1948, much of their activity was in Arica and the Far East. They designed schools, institutes and university campuses in Ghana, Nigeria and Sierra Leone, as well as

in Malaysia and Brunei. sible for exhibition and shop from 1974 to 1982. designs in this country, for He was married three times, schools in Hertfordshire, York- and is survived by his third

400-hectacre site for 22,000 students. He was also a sculptor, and one of the features of his designs was his use of sculpture. Cubit began work as a sculptor in 1957 to improve my architecture and for itself if successful". and over the years he had a number of one-man shows in London, New York and else-

where. From 1959 to 1966 he was a member of the council of the Architectural Association, serving as president 1965-66. He was also active politically, and was chairman of the Mortimer Cubitt himself was respon- and Burghfield Labour Party

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## MR HARRY SELBY

Mr Harry Selby, who has died at his home in Glasgow at the age of 70, was Labour MP for Glasgow Govan from 1974

A hairdresser by trade, Harry Selby had served during the war as a Private in the Highland Light Infantry and the Royal Corps of Signals.

A lifelong Marxist. Glasgow councillor from 1972, and chairman of the Govan constituency party for 11 years, he seemed to have a comparatively easy task on his hands as an archetypal Clydeside Labour candidate when a by-election was called in Govan on the death of its long-serving Labour MP John Rankin, in October

However when the by-election took place in November of that year he was surprisingly beaten by the very personable

Scottish Nationalist Party can-didate, Margo McDonald who turned Labour's overwhelming 2-1 majority over all other parties at the previous general election into a 571 vote victory for herself. This was a display of Nationalist strength which administered a salutary shock to the Labour opposition at a time of Government unpopu-

The electors reversed their decision at the General Election of February 1974 to return Selby to Parliament for Labour. though by an equally wafer thin majority over Mrs MacDonald. Selby improved on his position over Mrs MacDonald in the election of October 1974 and held the seat until he retired at the 1979 General Election. He had married, in 1937.

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## MR DIMITRIOS BITSIOS

Mr Dimitrios Bitsios, who died in Athens on January 9 at the age of 68, was Greek Foreign Minister from 1974 to 1977 in the first government after the fall of the military dictatorship, and as such negotiated a US-Greek defence agreement with Dr Henry Kissinger, then United States Secretary of State.

He was born in Athens in 1915 and joined the diplomatic service. From 1961 to 1965 he was Greek permament representative at the United Nations, before becoming pelitical adviser to King Constantine in the period lending up to

the 1967 military coup. He was sent back to the United Nations by the military regime in 1969, but resigned in 1971 after disagreement with them. On the fall of the colonels

Bitsios was appointed Foreign Minister and made his mark on current Greek foreign policy. The defence agreement he negotiated with Dr Kissinger. which provided for American aid to Greece and committed the United States to oppose Greek-Turkish conflict over the Aegean, was never signed; but many elements of it were incorporated in the subsequent agreement signed last autumn.

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Prince of Hales Hotels looks programme and keep M3 on ripe for a takeover bid. Kuwaiti target.
interests vesterday announced a The firmer appearance on 10.8 per cent shareholding. making them the second largest stakeholder after Taddale Investments (14 per cent). Other leading shareholdings include Epicure Holdings, the Bass brewing group and Town Centre Securities. The appearance of the Empirity guided the characteristics. the Kuwaitis pushed the shares up 2p to 120p. They were 58 last vear.

breaking as investors decided to cash in on the large profits that have built up over the past couple of weeks. The FT Index closed slightly above its low for the day 3.2 down at 796.8.

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MARKET REPORT • by Michael Clark

Wall Street and the latest rise in the retail sales of 1.6 per cent over the previous month did little to inspire leading equities. The only gains were seen in Beecham 3p up at 316p. Glaxo 10p at 755p. Courtaulds 2p at 132p. Lucas Industries 3p at 189p and Imperial Group 2p at

146p. Shares of Dublin-based Jefferson Smurfit spurted 5p to 129p following a presentation with the institutions arranged by broker Rowe & Pitman. Smurfit has just completed some major paper and packag-ing deals in the US where the Gilts lost up to 50p following group now has over 75 per cent

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Siddeley slipping 6p to 376p after a line of 500,000 were put through the market. Prudential Corp also lost 7p to 834p as 500,000 were cleared. But in properties MEPC tumbled 7p to 276p as one seller failed to find a home for over 1 million

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The National Mutual Life Association of Australia now holds over 2 million shares in Paringa Mining & Exploration following the distribution in specie by Apollo Minerals of its shares. NMLA now owns 14.72 per cent of the equity, Paringa slipped 1p to 66p on the news. Sun Life Assurance has

topped up its stake in Viking Resources, the investment trust. and now controls 3.07 million shares, or 7.68 per cent of that total. Viking lost 1p to 83p. Speculation that someone is building up a stake in Leyland

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## FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet** 

## Hoare Govett wins the Telecom challenge

Hoare Govett emerged yesterday as the stockbroking firm which has won the plum prize of advising the Government on the record £4,000m flotation of British Telecom next autumn. The issue, the biggest and most demanding by far of anything that the Government has yet tackled in its privatization programme, is widely acknowledged as the greatest marketing challenge the City has faced.

Carrying the field of at least eight of the City's most pukka stockbroking names is therefore another achievement of which Hoare Govett and its senior partner, Mr Richard Westmacott, can be justly proud. The recent survey of institutional investment patterns and preferences in the City confirmed that Hoare Govett already has a greater overall share of the market taking gitts, equities and overseas stocks combined - than any other broking firm,

Hoare Govett was picked after a "beauty contest" of stockbroking hopefuls before Christmas. It will act as the lead broking firm advising Mr Norman Tebbit. the Trade and Industry Secretary, on preparations for the floration, including such key issues as the pricing and marketing of the shares.

To back up Hoare Govett, Mr Tebbit has also appointed two other broking firms, de Zoete & Bevan and Scrimgeour, Kemp-Gee as additional advisers.
Whereas Hoare Govett has been picked for its general market reputation and allround research capability, these two firms have highly-regarded research abilities in the electricals and telecommunications field.

For de Zoete, this marks the completion of a successful double, since it has also just been appointed as one of two advisers tothe Government for another impending privatization issue, that of Enterprise Oil, scheduled for this summer.

When Mr Tebbit announced in October that he was looking for broking advisers for the Telecom issue, he made it clear that he was looking in particular for novel ideas about how to encourage as wide a share ownership as possible.

Hoare Govett expects to have four of its corporate finance team working fulltime on the Telecom issue over the next nine months, along with at least three research people and - eventually - all 20 of its equity marketing team. Given that British Telecom also expects to appoint its own brokers in due course, the issue will not lack for the best professional City advice, all of which - and a bit more - looks likely to be needed. Naturally the one area onwhich a universal discreet silence fell yesterday was what fees the brokers stand to gain from the exercise.

## Mercury in need of a backer

as dunisi Lelecom Sol challenge of going public, its designated sole major competitor, Mercury Communications, is far from clear about itsfinancial future.

Mercury is controlled jointly by Cable and Wireless and British Petroleum which each own 40 per cent of the shares, Barclays Merchant Bank has the rest, but declared at the outset that it was a shortterm holder and is now waiting for the two other shareholders to sort out an acceptable alternative. It is taking some time. The options are for Barclays to sell its

20 per cent stake to a single new shareholder, to spread it among a number of investors or for C and W and BP to increase their stakes. They have first

Last year the matter was expected to be resolved by the end of this month. Sources close to the Mercury board say this is now back to being sorted out some time this

Barclays says that some resolution of the problem should be seen by the end of March. Its replacement as a shareholder, if it is to be a single holder, would need a big company with resources to commit sums totalling hundred of millions

From the outset, Barclays limited its own commitment to £35m. There is about £15m still untapped, taking a figure of £100m as the total commitment of all three shareholders to date. The investment needed to put Mercury on the road to a competitive level would quickly absorb the balance of Barclay's declared

#### Reuters in need of a method

The saga of Reuters, the City's other potential billion-pound flotation, will reach another crucial stage when the ten trustees who are charged with preserving the independence and integrity of the international news agency meet this week.

During meetings arranged for two separate days, S. G. Warburg, the merchant bankers, and other advisers will unveil their ideas for making sure Renters maintains its unbiased stance and does not fall into the wrong hands. The proposals will be presented to the menwhose organizations and empires stand to make enormous sums from the flotation which is believed will value the group at between £1 billion and £1.5 billion.

Even so, Mr Angus McLachian, the Australian who leads the trustees, has already said that the trustees' approval is by no means a rubber-stamping job. There mounting political concern that the independence and integrity safeguards should be of a real rather than cosmetic

The cynical might suggest that any number of safeguards would be acceptable providing these did not lower the price at which shares were sold on the stock market. Others might argue that it is in the interests of the newspaper-owning shareholders to preserve the agencies' integrity, for without it the shares would be worthless.

Two ways in which the present owners could protect the agency from takeover attempts and thwart a build-up of influence by any one existing holder have been suggested. One would be to create a two-tier voting structure under which 25 per cent of existing shareholders' stakes would be retained and given enough extra votes to ensure that they keep majority

Another would be to create "master" shares for the trustees with sufficient votes to overrule outside or internal attempts

The Press Association, which has four trustee representatives and whose members own 41 per cent of the Reuters shares, meets separately today to hear the proposals. It is unlikely that it will voice

## Lloyd's to introduce rules on divestment by Easter

requirement that underwriting and broking interests within the

insurance marker, says in a letter to all Lloyd's underwrit-ing agents and brokers that bylaws to enforce the proposals will be introduced by Easter.

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Mr Miller said that the proposals go much further than the demands of the Lloyd's Act

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## Europeans set to against US spec

steel war between Europe and the United States as officials on both sides predicted that the EEC would so ahead over the weekend with retaliatory action against US special steels. The Regan Administration is

"not optimistic", that it will be able to resolve the dispute in time to prevent the EEC from endorsing the first retaliatory action against the United States m its 26-year history.

Ambassador Robert Lighthizer, the deputy US trade representative, said yesterday it was quite likely that EEC ministers would approve at a meeting on Saturday a series of retaliatory tariffs estimated at \$160m (£114m) a year against imports of American chemical and sports goods.

European commission official confirmed yesterday

Hopes dwindled yesterday of that a list of "compensatory averting a further twist in the withdrawals" such as tariffs or quotas on certain imports from the US would be sent to the General Agreement on Tariff and Trade (Gatt). However, he said: "At this stage we still can't exclude an agreement (with the

> The dispute comes after President Reagan's decision last July to impose tariffs and quotas on American imports of In November, EEC ministers

decided to extend to mid-Janua-

ry the deadline for talks with the US concerning compensation for the Administration's move.

If the EEC decides to retaliate, the action would interject "A significant new irritant" in trade relations with the United States which both sides have attempted to cool down over the last difficult 18

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## Retail sales near peak

ber as families financed their buying spree with record bor-

Final figures from the Department of Trade and Industry show that the volume of retail sales, adjusted for the usual sales, adjusted for the usual seasonal changes, was running 1.5 per cent above the average level for the previous three months. The index of 117 (1978=100) was only a whisker below the peak of 117.3 seen in September, and another good

Consumer spending in the set of figures is expected for impetus came shops forged ahead in Novem- December.

In cash terms, sales were 10 per cent higher in November than a year earlier, worth £6,380m. The amount of new consumer credit granted by finance houses, retailers and others reached a peak of £975m.

The spending boom has continued unabated since the summer of 1982 when credit controls were abolished, and had shown little sign of running

Until late last year, the main

savings and higher especially via more from the banks building societies amount lent for ho is thought to leal sumption.

More recently, been fuelled by increase in living s pay rises for those outpaced higher . taxes. Real after-ti adjusted for inflation 2.5 per cent in the

## **MEPC** in £70m bond issue

By Jonathan Clare

MEPC. Britain's second largest property company, yester-day took its second bite at the corporate bond market in under 18 months with a big issue to finance development and fur-ther reduce variable rate loans. A £70m issue was brought

forward to yesterday from next Wednesday because of the fear that other property companies were only waiting for a fall in interest rates before jumping in

as well.
Mr Christopher Benson, MEPC's managing director, said: "I don't think we are speculators on whether interest rates will go up or down. I'm a little nervous about what will happen in the US. At 10% per cent (the fixed rate) we are very

The new stock is repayable in

MEPC was the last company to use the corporate bond market before it effectively closed down in 1972 and the second company to join in the company on the vast spread of 1982 revival with a £30m issue exploration acreage opened by in September 1982. It has £40m of variable

sterling loans outstanding but some of them will be retained. The balance of the cash will be used to finance a development programme, worth about £100m. This includes a big office development in Reading and two big shopping centres, one in Sheffield and the other in

Learnington Warwickshire. Yesterday's issue as the September 1982 issue, which was entirely employed reducing short-term borrowings, is se-cured on specific properties. These include the pressige West One development in London's Oxford Street and the Friary shopping centre in Guildford, Surrey, which also underpinned the 1982 issue.

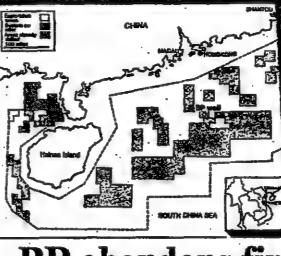
Mr Benson said that the company had examined several methods, of raising money before deciding on a corportate bond. Rights issues by property companies are generally dis liked because they reduce the net asset value per share. MEPC has the additional problem of living down an unpopular rights issue two years ago which upset some big institutional share holders.

Analysis believed that yesterday's issue was large enough to satisfy MEPC's cash needs for up to 21/2 years.

The terms of the £70m first mortgaged debenture stock earlier in the day.

2024 are a rate of 10.75 per General Motors was up 1/2, 3 cent, an issue price of 95.711p 80, Ford up 1/2 at 45%.

Venture fund brings psychoanalysis to the City



## BP abandons firs Chinese trial well

By Jonathan Davis, Financial Correspondent

British Petroleum has aban-doned its first exploration well rallying to close unchan in China's offshore waters. The company found shows of oil, Chinese drilling result but not the obviously commercial find it had been hoping for. The results of the well - the

first to be drilled by any foreign the Chinese two years ago have been keenly awaited by oil companies and industry analysts.

BP's announcement yester-

day said that the well, 100 miles south of Hongkong, had been abandoned after reaching a depth of 3,450 metres, having encountered "indications of liquid hydrocarbons". A short drillstem test had recovered samples of oil. The drilling rig is now being moved to another of the exploration blocks licensed

to the BP-led consortium.
Although BP has been anxious to play down the significance of any single exploration well in the extensive three-year drilling programme to which it is committed in China, the results inevitably will be seen as disappointing.

Shares in BP fell 8p yesterday

#### Wall Street rise falters New York (AP-Dow Jones).

Wall Street shares slipped back yesterday, giving up part of their strong early gains.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was up by about 1.5

points, hovering at about the level of the record closing figure of 1,287.20 which was set on November 29 last year. But the gain had reached 5.5 points

Yesterday, Mr Tom Wilmot

Harvard's managing director said he expected to issue a writ "at the crack of dawn this morning", against Petroleum Mining Corporation and its

agreement to bring the company to the market, incorrect information and the non-disclosure of information. Mr Wilmot said: "We are

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## **Index slips** below 800

The FT Index slipped back below the 800 level when investors paused for thought after the latest money supply figures disappointed the market.

By the close of business, the index had lost 3.2 at 796.8 as leading shares fell on light profit-taking after the market'srecent record-breaking run. However, dealers were confident it would prove only a minor setback and said the undertone emained firm.

Stores made little headway after the latest increase in retail sales and drifted in line with the rest of the market.

Gilts encountered losses of up to 50p, amid nervous selling as the pound hit a new all-time low. before recovering slightly towards the close. But dealers were unperturbed by the falls and said that the gilts had been waiting for some profit-taking.

STOCK EXCHANGES

FT Index: 796.8 down 3.2 FT Gilts: 83.68 down 0.09 FT All Share: 486.30 down

Bargains: 20.851 Datastream USM Leaders Index:101.67 up 0.3 New York: Dow Jones Average: (latest) 1286.33 up

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index 10.016.21 down 37.60 Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 943,34 up 5.88 Amsterdam:173.0 down 1.1

Sydney: AO Index 776.0 down 11.9 Frankfurt: Commerzbank Index 1050.0 up 15.4 Imissels: General Index

Paris: CAC Index 165.9 up Zurich: SKA General 317.0

CURRENCIES

139.26 up 0.48

LONDON CLOSE

\$1,4015 down 35pts index 81.8 up 0.1 DM 3.9475 down 0.0175 FrF 12.05 down 0.04 Yen 327.50 up 0.50 Dollar

Index 131.6 down 0.4 DM 2.8140 down 0.0160 NEW YORK LATEST **Sterling \$1,4030** Dollar DM 2.8140

INTERNATIONAL SDR£0.739080 INTEREST RATES

Bank base rates 9 Finance houses base rate 91/2 Discount market loans week fixed 91/6-9 3 month interbank 91/6-97/16 **Euro-currency rates**:

3 month dollar 91/1691/16 3 month DM 61/2-6 3 month Fr F137/2-137/18 US rates Bank prime rate 11.00

Fed lunds 970 Treasury, long bond 1011/4-1011/9 102-/32

GOLD

London fixed (per ounce): am \$367.50 pm \$371.25 close \$370.50-371.25 (£263.75-264.25) New York (close): \$369.25 Krugerrand (per coin): \$382-383.50 (2272-273) Sovereigns\* (new): \$87-88 (£62-62.75)

## MPORTANT NOTICE

\*Excludes VAT

ECTION OF ONE REGIONAL MEMBER D THE MILK MARKETING BOARD FOR THE EASTERN REGION - 1984

: Milk Marketing Board hereby announce as

1. One Regional Member for the Eastern gion has to be elected.

2. The Board have determined the election date Priday, 13 April 1984. 3. The Board are prepared to receive ninations of candidates for this election. Such pinations must be received by the Board at the

rd's offices at Thames Ditton, Surrey, not later a 6 p.m. on Monday, 27 February 1984. 4. Every person so nominated as a candidate for tion to fill this vacancy must deposit with the retary of the Board not later than 6 p.m. on aday, 27 February 1984 the sum of £20.00 in legal

5. No person shall be qualified to be elected as Regional Member of the Board for the Eastern ion unless he or she has been nominated in ing as a candidate by at least twenty registered lucers entitled to vote in that election or by a nty Branch of the National Farmers' Union in the ern Region.

6. A candidate may withdraw from his or her idature by a written notice to that effect provided delivered at the offices of the Board at Thames on, Surrey, not later than 6 p.m. on Thursday, 1

7. Any election literature issued by or on behalf ch 1984. candidate should bear the name and address of erson issuing it and the name of the candidate on e behalf it is issued.

This election is to fill a casual vacancy for a onal Member to represent the Eastern Region wing the resignation of Mr C W Wharton.

. The person elected will hold office until the ment date fixed for Board Member elections in

## **NEWS IN BRIEF**

## **Record for** business

vere 8.2 per cent higher than in 1982, at 3,921, according to reports from trade indemnity policyholders. This was the highest number it, had ever

There were reductions only in furniture and upholstery, where failures fell by 15.1 per cent from the particularly high levels of 1982 and in textiles and clothing, where failures edged down by I per cent. In both cases manufacturers fared sig-

and wholesalers. Bailding and construction facures rose by 29.9 per cent. This was 70.8 per cent higher than it 1980.

 Cook on Group, the former Lead Industries, has taken over one of BIR's American offafter a fierce battle last summer. Tilling has acquired Alpha about a year earlier. The American assets of Alpha have been paid for by the issue of 5.720,415 new Cookson shares.

· Air Florida, the troubled US airline, yesterday said it had secured its immediate future with a deal to turn debt into equity with one of its principle bankers. Interfirst Bank of Daltas, to which Air Florida owes \$42m (£30m), is to take a big stake in the airline. The deal will reduce Air Florida's debts

The aim will be to ensure that

insurance market should be separated before July, 1987. Mr Peter Tiller, the new chairman of the 300-year old

From Easter, all brokers and

policy to meet the Government be regarded as a disciplinary offence.

But in an important concession to those brokers conthe existing management, the council is proposing to allow payments for the acquisition of an agency to be deferred until 1982. This will allow the organizers of a management

business between now and

The council's proposals will also include strict controls to govern the secondment of staff, sharing profits and the com-

## association, change, or future writing agencies.

Headshrinking tomorrow's businessmen As the risk at an early stage of company development are so sion. Scheme funds Venture soon rank as important an high, the returns are much Founders will not be charging a

The institutions have subchant bank, has set up a £12m' redeemable preference shares of venture capital fund with a 2p each at £100 per chance company called Venture. 2p each at £100 per share. individual's character. A group ing from £100,000 to £500,000 - have to sell each other products more if the plan warrants it - in exchange for an equity stake of and sudden success. between 20-to-50 per cent,

a lower equity stake. Venture Founders wants to them see companies keeping earnings for expansion and use the achieve long-term capital professional and managerial expertise within the fund on a niques derive from the modern con non-executive director basis.

although the investment could

Unlike the Business Expan- group therapy work. greater if the company becomes fee because prospective entre-successful. three weekend courses where an scribed for 120,000 shares of £1 individual's attitudes will be examined thoroughly. These courses will test an

and deal with simulated crises Venture Founders will examine how these people deal with. include an element of debt and their weaknesses and see

whether they are honest about Mr Charles Duff, a director of Venture Founders, says that the 25 per cent, added its own individual and group techadvances in psychotherapy and from flim.

An example of Venture Founders' work is illustrated by its connexion with the fastgrowing Express Parcels Com-

That company's chief execu-tive, Mr Tony Caper, was rejected on one such weekend as being too inexperienced.
His response was to entice away a more experienced colleague on the course and begin the company anyway. A year later, in May 1982,

Express Parcels approached Venture Founders virtually insolvent as a result of growing venture injected £150,000 for expertise and a year later the mpany turns over £5m, up

## series of concessions to for oil companies. The BP con-tium includes BHP of Austra Harvard 'te act against oil group'

only weeks after the far damaging disclosure by B its Mukluk well in Ala costing more than £200, a

most expensive exploration yet drilled - had failed to

Reports that the Chines

was not going to be the boi

been circulating for a few

Yesterday's confirmation not, therefore, come as a

surprise, and the share

mained firm. despite the that today is the day on winvestors who bought BP st

in the Government's

share issue last September

to pay the second and instalment on their allocation

BP is the senion partner

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was given exploration ri over more than 5,000 sq miles by the Chinese gov ment last year, in the first

some have been expectin

By Our Financial Staff Harvard Securities, one the biggest firms of license securities dealers, is taking legi action against an oil company had planned to bring to its ow over-the-counter market las

He said the action was being taken on the grounds of breaking the terms of the

the final bill could be fim. He said the directors had

mining techniques: The prospectus for PMC offering £3.5m of, shares was withdrawn last November after a poor public response and the

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failures

nificantly better than retailers

shoots in a near £19m deal. Alpha Metals, which supplies solder products became part of BTR when the Bh tish conglom-erate absorbed Thomas Tilling

by about \$33m. Central Trustee Savings Bank, the wholesale banking arm of the TSB Group, increased operating profits from £16.9m to £18.7m in the year to November 20. Customer advances rose by £40m to £217m and the balance sheet total grew by £200m to £1,603m.

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surance-related activities for :.

At the halfway stage

September 30 last year,

results followed a famil

pattern. Pretax profits reach

because of the strong t

The board is recommending

increased interim dividend

3.3p. against 3p last time.

LONDON COMMODITY PRICES

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tutional investors. LRC will use the £2.8m it received for IP to pursue its policy of growth by acquisition. IP provides cobalt which is used in the irradiation of medical devices and pharmaceuticals. It was used by LRC to irradiate agency group owned by t surgeon's gloves and this service Holland America Line. will continue under an agree-

ment with Isotron. In the year to March, 1983. IP made a pretax profit of 17 made a present present year-on-yi Net assets were growth from travel is ma

Mr David Sadtler, LRC's corporate development director, said: We were approached reshape the Hogg Robins as ahead with its obligation with a very attractive offer. And it frees the cash for our ambitious growth plans. We have not made any Major acquisions yet because they are tough to find."

Isotron's institutional investors are led by Thompson Clive and Partners

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#### COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

Newman Industries has signed an agreement with a New York company, disposing of Newman's interest in Salem Glass of West Virginia, which has been closed for more than a year: Newman has now disposed of all its interests in the ceramics activities in the second h. industry. This will strengthen the group balance sheet which underwent considerable restructuring last year. The revised share structure for final pretax profits official risks insurance which took place after the between £10.5m and £11 :15 a dominant position. restructuring and refinancing in March, 1983, gave shareholders of the new cumulative convertible redeemable participating preference shares some 95.8 per cent of the enlarged equity issued at 10p and stood at 17p on January 5. On January 1 the company returned to the dividend list for the first time in

Investors Capital Trust: Although earnings per share fell from 3.51p to 3.49p in the year to Nov 30 last, the total dividend, net, is being raised from 3.35p to 3.45.

Hales Properties: Half-year to 7 30, 1983, Sales (£332,000), Pretax September 30. £318,000 (293,000). interim dividend, net, raised from 1.33p to 1.5p.

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## INVESTORS' NOTEBOOK @ edited by Michael Prest

ALL SHARE INDEX

Munton Brothers is that rare

bird, a company raising a great

deal of money to back a

successful operation in North-

ern Ireland, making shirts for

results are encouraging. Sales

rose by 6.4 per cent in the six

months to the end of October

Profits have surged from £274,000 to £387,000, strong advance even allowing for the

£44.000 gross dividend from its

near 30 per cent stake in its

fellow Marks and Spencer

minder that, however well the

shirt business is faring. Munton

must be seen, from an inves-

tor's point of view, primarily as one of the quoted arms of Mr

Michael Carlton's Taddale

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Munton Bros

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# Hoggkobinson widens its horizons

Hoga Robinson has be pusiness in the wake of t GG ROBINSON SHARE PRICE financial services sector. T result is a plan for survival a Lasi November the gre develed the size of its trav business with the £1.8m acq sition of the Wakefield Forte International, a British tra-The deal will add 93 travil shops and 1,200 employees f

FEB MAR APR MAY JUN JUL AUG SEP OCT NOV DEC The acquisition also may and that much depends on the tirst stage of a bold plan quickly Hogg Robinson group, which has traditions divest its underwriting been dominated by its Brit. rules to meet Lloyd's reinsurance broking interests a ment that underwriting

its interests in Lloyd's und proking activities should be ..rated. in the short term, such siment will be a nasty jolt the balance sheet. But by anding the receipts from the estment until 1992, which is and have since been rising at a 7 inble if management buyouts per cent rate. arranged, and sensibly

esting the proceeds the

£3.40m against £2.79m at : ...sting the proceeds the comparable stage the previous anage need not be too great. year. Turnover rose for on the plus side, the action £26.2m to £30.45m, althor rady taken to dust the group any breakdown is consider and put fresh manageunhelpful until the year tent blood in to the insurance wking businesses should reap towards the dominant brok vidends,

Hogg is trying hard to craify away from the areas of surance into more profitable The market continues to le recialist activities such as -pittical risks insurance where it

LORDON METAL EXCHANGE Unortical prices: Official lumos or figures.

over-the-counter market. Tad- stances are propitious for dale owns about a fifth of Munton's shares.

This connexion enabled the unlikely Munton to raise £1.5m last August in its second rights issue in short succession, causing the directors to say that there would be no more in the forcseeable future.

The money is allowing Munton to expand and reequip. make acquisitions and buy into Beales. In this fragmented and messy industry, there is plenty of potential for merger and expansion.

But there is also a cost to pay. For the moment, the rights issue means that earnings per share for the first six months are down from 2.9 pence to 2.2 pence (partly because of a much higher tax charge).

Allowing for that, the shares do not look expensive on trading grounds at 47 pence, perhaps 10 times annual earnings and with a dividend yield of at least 9 per cent. But investment must rest on judg-ment of Mr Carlton and his

associates. Mr Carlton is a financier who is on his second round of empire-building. He has no doubt learnt lessons, but his passage again remains far from

## Oil sector

British Petroleum's disposal of Forties units, followed by the Charterhouse-Fluor deal and Trafalgar's offer for Candecca have whetted the appetites of those anticipating a merry-go-round of North Sea assets - this year. But it may not happen that wav.

It is true that the circum-

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companies and assets to merge or be taken over. In the background is a low dollar oil price - although it is often overlooked that the sterling earnings of North Sea operators have benefited handsomely from the appreciation of the dollar. Expectations of continuing low demand for oil have

More specifically, a clear hierarchy corporate emerged among North Sea companies. At the top are the leading oil companies and the established secondary stocks such as Ultramar, Below them, however, the situation is fluid.

made some acreage look cheap.

The licensing rounds of recent years have effectively distinguished between successful and developing companies, such as Charterhouse, Saxon, Clyde, Candecca (before the bid) and perhaps Sovereign and a bost of financially weak operations for whom further fund raising is difficult.

Cutting across this obvious battleground for takeovers and mergers is the North Sea's notoriously complex tax regime. The need to maximize tax efficiency either by acquiring losses or revenue-generating assets means that individual fields or parts thereof may be the prime attraction, rather than companies.

Thus the Piper field, for example, could be worth four times as much to a purchaser as the present owners. But such deals take time to arrange.

There is also the uncertain quantity of Enterprise Oil. which could be hungry acreage, and the possibility of a ninth licensing round

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION Average falstock prices at representative markets on August 224 GB: Cartie, 96. Lop per leg lew (+0.65). GB: Sneep. 152.45p per leg est d c v

. 73.73p per kg lw (-0.59).

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9.8 per cent, ave. price

## Singapore boost for Metro Cammell bid

British trade officials were that it can win a contract to vesterday elated that Westing- supply about £400m worth of house Brake and Signal Com- rolling stock. pany. A subsidiary of Hawker Siddeley, had won a £46m contract to supply electrical and mechanical equipment for Singapore's new underground rail system. For the victory succests that another British

Officials had discounted any suggestion that Britain would become involved in a subsidized bids battle several months ago - after nearly 400 companies from 23 countires had applied to tender for the various contracts under the £1.65 billion project.

win could follow.

The fact that Westinghouse Cammell Company confidence interim dividend.

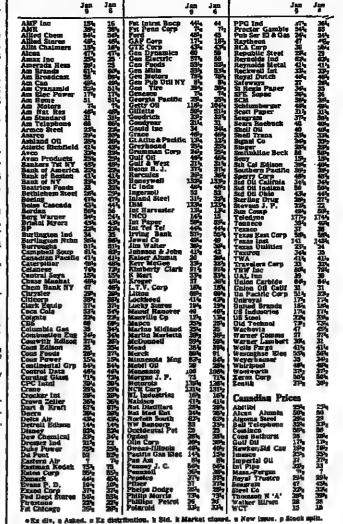
Mr Michael Fam, the leader

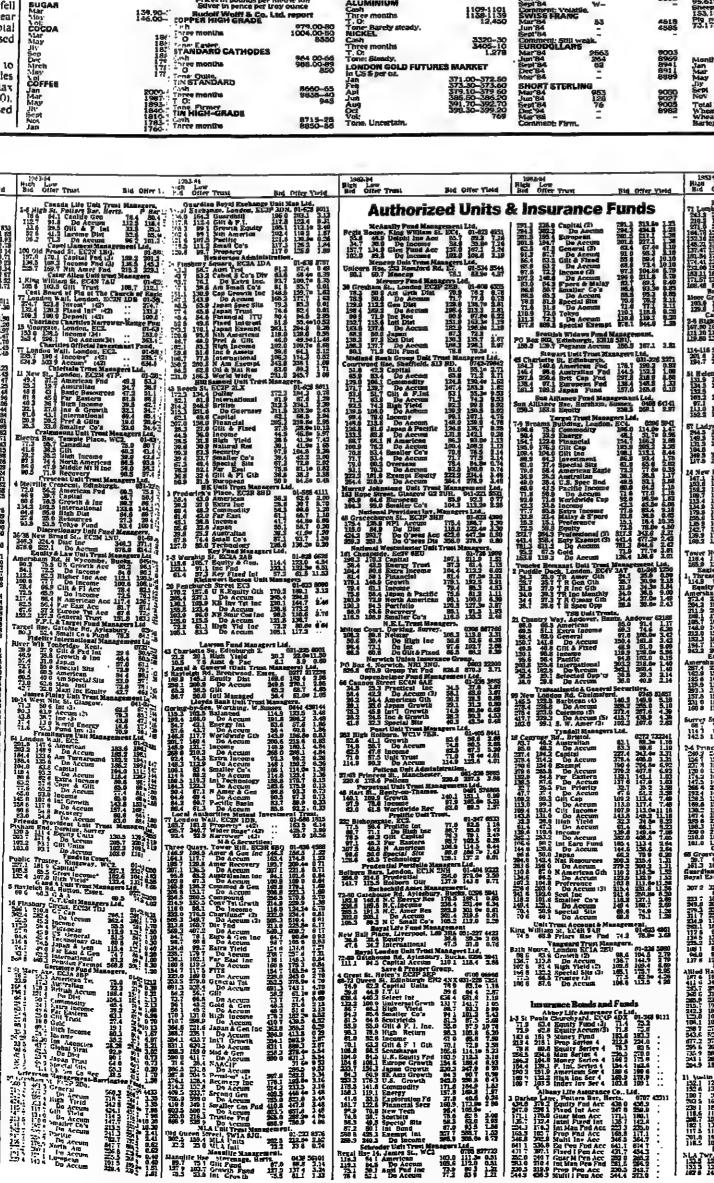
of a delegation from Singapore's Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) authority, said in London last September - when meeting with Mr Paul Channon, the Minister for Trade, and officials from the Export Credits Guarantee Department - that governments would have to offer their companies the best financing

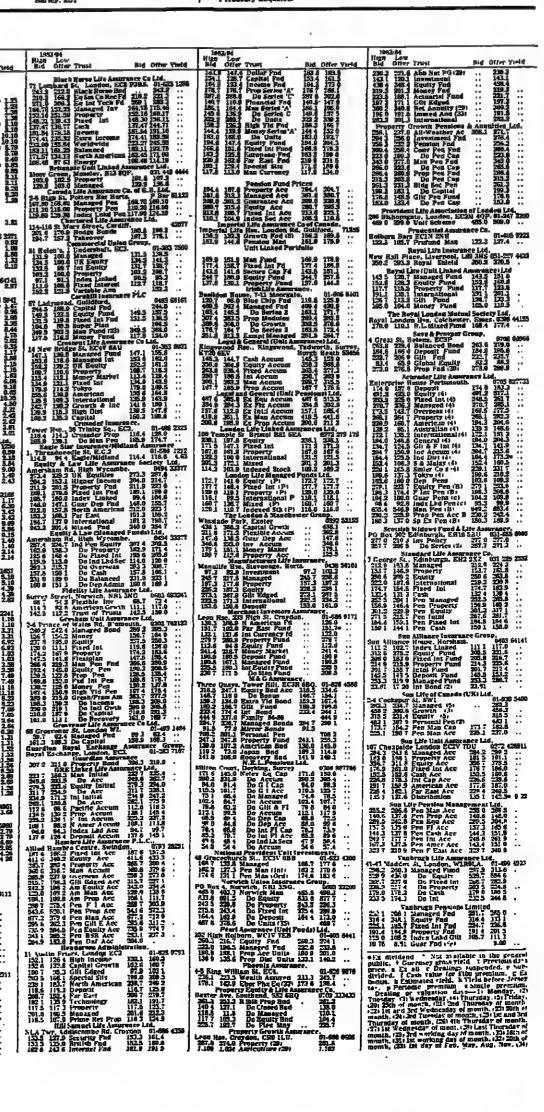
#### Correction

Between December 22 and January 6 the National Westminster share price was incorrectly listed with an "e" won on technical expertise alongside, indicating wronging alone must give the Metro that the bank had passed

#### WALL STREET







Economic Commentary by Tim Congdon

## Boom in home loans engineers recovery

The Building Societies Association's monthly statistics for
December, due out on Friday, IN HOUSING will show that 1983 was a creed year for the societies. If CREDIT net receipts for the month are above £800m, the figure for the year will exceed £7,000m. This would comfortably top 1982's figure of £6,466m and compares with an average of about £3,600m in the four years before More spectacular has been the growth of mortgage lending. The gross figure for advances.

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the one usually quoted in the press, is not the most interesting because it is boosted by loans made possible by mortgage capital repayments. The focus should instead be on net advances, which represent genuine new lending. They are higher than deposit inflows because the scriptive cap lead because the societies can lend out much of the interest they receive on old mortgages, as long as it is not withdrawn by depositors.

Last year's net advances will reach about £11,000m, 40 per cent up on 1982's figure of £7,800m and almost double the level of 1980 and 1981. The expansion of housing credit has been reinforced by the banks' move into the mortgage market which began in earnest only in 1981. Net advances for house purchases from all sources should exceed £18,000m in 1984 – almost 150 per cent higher than in 1980. The boom in housing credit

has been the financial catalyst of the economic recovery. There has been direct and obvious stimulus to private sector housebuilding. More subtle, although perhaps more powerful, has been the boost to

The mechanism involved has been termed "equity with-drawal" and is complicated to explain. It arises because the housing market is in constant ants of Keynes is another wide flux and has both entrants and and contentious issue. leavers. The entrants, the firstdime buyers and those moving sters have not gone quiet. Their up-market require credit to buy new warning is that an econtheir homes. The leavers, omic revival based on personal people approaching retirement, sector borrowing is fragile and moving down-market or selling up altogether take the sale proceeds from the entrants and use the money for other purposes, including consump-

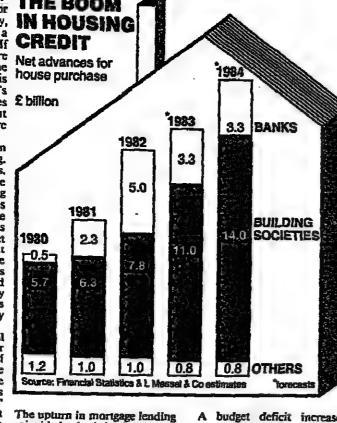
So the credit apparently destined for house purchase in fact ends up financing con-sumption. The leavers, who in some cases have no mortgage at all, take out their equity in the housing stock and use it for

current spending.

Although the process of equity withdrawal is intricate, it is easy enough to measure. not by the private sector, on cars, washing machines and Figures on investment in Indeed, many of them wanted video cassette recorders must be housing, both in new building the budget deficit to be positive because, quite simply, and council house purchases, are compiled regularly. They can be deducted from indentified mortgage flows to obtain an estimate of equity withdrawal. These exercises invariably show that in recent years equity withdrawal has accounted for more than half of housing

It should follow that booms bousing credit are accompanied by booms in consumer spending. This result is not certain and inevitable. It depends on the source of the deposit inflows into the building societies. If the inflows come from bank deposits which would otherwise have been left idle (and this is the usual pattern), extra housing credit does indeed generate extra demand in the economy. If, however, they come from increased saving out of income, there is only a change in the composition of demand.

There is no doubt about what happened in 1982 and 1983. taxpayers it represents.



The upturn in mortgage lending coincided – both in timing and scale – with a revival in assets and makes them feel consumer demand. The volume of retail sales in the three increases taxpayers' liabilities and makes them feel better off. But it simultaneously increases taxpayers' liabilities increases taxpayers' liabilities and makes them worse off. It is months to last November was almost 10 per cent higher than not clear that the net effect will in the second quarter of 1982. Here is the main force which stimulate the economy or ever that the notion of a "demand injection" is logically waterpulled the British economy out of recession. Here also is the refutation of all those Keynesian jeremiahs and doomsters who said that, The second defence of more without special government action in the form of an increased budget deficit, the recession would never end.

public sector borrowing is that it could be devoted to acquiring capital assets, unlike personal sector borrowing, much of which is described as having here. "fringered angul" on conbeen "frittered away" on con-sumption. This may sound naive and fatuous, but it is a Whether the present day Keynesians are loyal descendpossible interpretation of recent But the jeremiahs and doom-

remarks by some Keynesian But how good have the Government and the nationalized industries been at adding to the nation's capital? No one would quarrel too much with investment in roads, hospitals and schools, but what about shipyards, blast furnaces and coal mines? The social rate of return on investment by British Shipbuilders, by the British Steel Corporation and by the National Coal Board must in

the last few years have been

Their concern about too heavily negative. much personal credit is very ironic. Two or three years ago their favoured antidote to the By contrast, most personal borrowing is used to finance additions to the stock of housing and consumer durrecession was more borrowing, but borrowing by government, ables. The private rate of return increased by vast sums as the people want more of them at their present prices. There is no deliberate obvious reason for thinking the mendations then can be reconciled with their attitude social rate of return is any lower since their enjoyment does not today only if they believe public inflict discomfort on other borrowing to be

The record year for the building societies has been made possible, in effect, by the Is there any validity in this Thatcher Government's sucbelief? It seems on the face of it scess in reducing the budget rather silly, but two arguments in its support could be sugdeficit. Although the growth of private sector credit must be kept under control, there is no gested. The first is that the reason whatever why a recovery economy and is therefore capable of putting demand into based on borrowing by individuais and companies should be it in a way that other economic less viable or sustainable than a agents cannot.
The trouble is that a nation recovery based on borrowing by

ultimately consists of individ-Indeed, since extra govern-ment borrowing would be superintended by politicians, bureaucrats and Keynesian uals and nothing else. The Government like companies and banks, is just an insti-tutional artefact to serve their economists, the probability of a successful fiscal reflation is not interests. If it incurs debt, it does not do so on its own The author is economics partner at stockbroker L. Messel & Co. account but on behalf of the

# Heroism as high Long before one was introduced as a small boy to tales of Macariney, Meredith, Broadribb, C. B. Fry and

Captain Webb, and the more modern sporting heroes. Matthews and Bradman, the emotional bedside stories were of men such as Scott and Oates, T.

E. Lawrence and Mallory.

If the first drama to make me cry was Pigling Bland getting lost over the hills and fir away, then the second was Captain Oates walking out from the doomed expeditionary tent into the Antarctic snow saying that he may be gone some time. Altruism could have as much honour as achievement, demonstrated on Everest by one of my school masters, Wilfred Noyce.

The mountains and oceans will always remain a special kind of challenge, and as the American writer, Paul Theroux, has recently observed, the British character is inherently shaped by the surrounding seas. Richard Broadhead is an exaple of maritime altruism and achievement.
Yesterday at the Earls Court Boat
Show, that annual indoor anomaly

which embrace fantacy and functionalism, the Salcombe advanturer was presented with the Yachtsman of the Year award. The yachting correspondents rightly considered his astonishing rescue of a Frenchman in the Southern ocean during BOC single-handed round the world race last year superior to the victorys '83 crew's pursuit of the America's Cup. It is worth quoting from The Ultimate

challenge, the account by my colleague, Barry Pickthall, of this remarkable race, a passage where Broadhead describes those awesome conditions which Chicheester, Rose and Knox-Johnston have conquered, yet which would freeze the mind and muscle of ordinary men. Hand steering downwind for 12 hours at a time in the Roaring Forties and screaming fifties, with the windspeed indicator permanently locked against its maximum 60 knots, Broadhead would later recount: "Every 10 minutes or so, the seas (behind) rolled into vertical walls, huge and as high as the mast, and as the how those awesome conditions which

and as high as the mast, and as the bow buried up to the forehatch, I just sat at the wheel holding on for grim death, looking almost vertically down the boat as she started to go over. Then as the wave broke, the bow came up and she surfed off at 30 knots with the whole

deck under water. All I could see was the bloody wheel, and the mast and rigging standing up through the surf."
The romance between life and death is a strangely motivating phenomenon. Guy Bernadin, another Frenchman who came fourth in Class II, would say of his experience of being washed out of the cockpit in ferocious seas from which he miraculously survived: "It was the greatest moment in my life. " I know a doctor's wife to whom the same

thing has happened in the North Sea. What was different about Broadhead's race, in which he finished third



David Miller finds a hero in the

over the 27,000 mile four-leg course behind the Frenchman, Phillippe Jeantot, in the expensively sponsred Credit Agricole and the South African, Bertic Reed, in Altch Voortrekker, was that two thirds of the way between Australia and Cape Horn he turned back more than 300 miles in Perserve-rence of Medina, without engine, in the bid to rescue Jacques de Roux from the stricken Skoiern III, thousands of miles from any other assistance. And found It was accomplishment as excep-

tional as the survival of Bligh and his men set adrift from the Bounty, in conditions considerably more severe; though it would not have been possible without the position-finding assistance of the Argus satellite navigation

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mation to the race organizers and ham radio operators Rob Koziomkowski in Newport, Rhode Island, and Matt Johnston in Owaka, New Zealand, guided Broaddhead to an approximate rendezvous some 50 hours after the SOS alert (the falling mast missed de Roux's deck-mounted Argus disc by

Broadhead is one of those cavalier, freelance roamers whom most of ut secretly envy but few could emulate. Leaving Harrow at 16, he followed his whim to the Caribbean and then Australia for several years at Jack of any trade; then studied farming at Cirencester, and went off in unavailing search of land fortune in Brazil, But childhood Cornish salt was in his

blood. He bought a 43st boat sailed to Rio and back as a round-the -world qualifying race, then Antigua and back in search of sponsors. It was one of his several hundred letters of inquiry which arounsed BOC - to sponsor the whole race rather than him. Everything was sold in order to enter his former Max Aitken boat nicknamed Perspiration by its unsuccessful Admiral's Cup

Broadhead has the same disarming charm of understatement as the land speed record breaker, Richard Noble, Discussing the rescue saga, he says it was apparent during radio contact the day before to de Roux's SOS "that he wasn't having much of a time". You know the kind of simation: 120-fool waves, boat leaking, salt water boils, wet pillow, nobody to help make the tea and toast, in seas which the New Zealander, Dick McBride, calls "two instersecting lines of moving hills".

Almost lightly, Broadhead relates

Almost lightly. Broadhead relates that he was having to change headsails, without roller reefing, several times an hour to reach de Roux as soon as possible, and was "a bit tired, feeling the strain a little, when pushing the boat faster than when actually racing".

Yes, of course. When, below deck talking on the radio, he in fact sailed straight past a despairing de Roux, who let off all his flares from a quarter of a mile away with the weather deteriorating again and darkness approaching, Broadhead admits: "de Roux must have been a bit worried! When I came up, I stood up on the boom, and luckily just spotted his jury sail a mile or so away. If he had been in his life raft, I would never have

Jumping between boats, the exhausted Frenchman was fortunate not to break both his legs between the colliding hulls - a reunion as historic as Stanley and Livingstone. An hour later, Skoiern went down. What was it like, in that Antarctic hell hole, before a French frigate took de Roux on board several days later? Broadhead reflects: "I think it improved his English a bit." You would expect so. I mean, they had comething to talk about something to talk about.

seen him in those seas."

permane

## **Pakistanis** run out of the chase

CRICKET

Sydney (Reuter) recorded their first World Series Cup in crushing Pakistan's reviva with two crucial run outs. They we an exciting day-night match at the Sydney Cricket Ground by 34 runs. Pakistan, who required 265 to win, lost three wickets for only 33 before Imran joined Javed Miandad to add 86 quick runs. But the partnership ended in disaster. Miandad set off for a quick run, changed his mind and Imran was THE OUR for 39. Miandad added another \$6 run

with Mansoor before he was himself run out for 67, going for a risky second run. He was appet at the decision and threw down his bat in Australia built their innings on a superb 140-run partnership between the South African-born opener, Wessels, who has been in danger of

losing his place, and Border. Wessels was later named as the man of the match. Sarfraz was responsible for the early collapse, dismissing Phillips and Hughes in his most effective.

and Hughes in his most effective opening spell of the tour. The veteran pace bowler was the only success in a ragged Pakistani attack which was savaged in an 86-run fifth wicket partnership between the left-handers, Marsh and Hookes.

Marsh's bludanous 66 transided Marsh's bludgeoung 66 provided an effective reply to press reports suggesting he should retire.

AUSTRALIA

to fare even better se skill matchplay skills in a new tourns-The qualifying rounds will be he before May 14 and locations for the match-play stages during the summer will be the home course of ment aimed at the average club player. The Scottish Amicable Life Assurance Society are to inject £160,000 into the event, which culminates in a grand final, at Vilamoura, in Portugal, in Novemb-

Every adult male member of a golf clab in the United Kingdom with a andicap of 18 and under is eligible to enter this match-play champion-ship, which will be played in three

The tournament takes the form of a four-ball better-ball match-play contest after an initial medal round to select the two qualifiers from each cipb. After that the successful pair will play up to six rounds of match-play against clubs in the same part of the British Isles with the top 16

going on to the finals in Portugal.

Ted Dexter, the championship director and former England Test cricketer, explained: "We felt that the game was unbalanced towards medal play, so we looked at ways of supplementing existing competitions and felt that a four-hall better-hall format fitted the criteria. The average club golfer gets comparatively little competitive match-play. In fact, medal play is a

relative newcomer as far as the history of the game is concerned, BOBSLEIGH: EAST GERMANS' HAN

one or other of the teams in each

## Format review

Tacson (AP) — The controversiand format of the Tacson match-play championship is likely to be changed. The commissioner, Deane Beman, said: "Ir's safe to say that changes to improve it will be discussed," after from Watson had scored a 2 and 1 victory over Gill Morgan in the finals of the first match-play toursument on the American tour in 11 years.

Scott Hoch beat Lanny Wadkins 2 and 1 in the match for third place.

2 and 1 in the match for third place. Hoch was the only member of the final four who had played through the entire tournament. Watson, Morgan and Wadkins were among the eight leaders of the 1983 Seiko Count Privilles who must be since before the trees. Grand Prix list who were given byes nto the fifth round.

The tour officials admitted it was

an accommodation for television, an attempt to ensure that some leading players would be on camera in the

**Effortless** Rabbits get chance in mark

## start by Cairns

YACHTING

of Australia, the world champion, scored a brilliant win in the first race in the world championship for the Olympic Tornado class catamaran here yesterday. He sailed through the 60-boat fleet to take the lead halfway through the race, which was held off Sorrento, on Melbourne's Port Phillip Bay.

Cairns showed the extraordinary skill which in the past six months has rocketed him from virtual International obscurity to the peak of the world's fastest one-design catamaran class. He and his crew, Scott Anderson, have won the European championship in Copenhagen, the world championship at race in the world championship for

hagen, the world championship at Hayling Island in England and last week the Australian trite in Sydney. Yesterday they sailed an effortless race in ideal conditions. Cairns had a tough fight initially

to catch a yachtsman almost twice his age, the "Great Dane" of international sailing, Paul Elystrom. Reg White, the 1976 Olympic champion, was Britain's best placing at eleventh yesterday, his team mates, lan Gray and Robert White, coming twelfith and twentieth.

RESULTS: 1, C Ceirns (Aus.); 2, W Van Ladell (Netherlands); 3, P Evistrom (Dent. 4, R Smytha (USt. 5, R Sakars (AVZ); 5, M Booth (Aus.); 7, M Zutock (USt. 6, C Jennings (Aus.); 9, G Marstrom (Swe); 10, D McFault (US).

#### Waddington names deputy chairman Torrance has become Waddington:

Lower budget

deficit has brought

building societies a record year

demand reflation. Their recom-

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Government stands outside the

centrepiece

unsound.

Anthony Brown has been promoted to deputy chairman and Mr Michael Abrahams has joined the board as a nonexecutive director. C E Heath: Mr J A E Bassett has been made chairman of CE

Heath (Aviation Reinsurance

**APPOINTMENTS** 

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Broking) in succession to Mr J

Stothert & Pitt: Mr T E R

Simon

David Close has become group director of personnel. He replaces Mr Laurie Hoggard, who has retired. Scottish Life Assurance: Mr

Engineering:

David Birrell has joined the Samuel: Mr David Wood has been appointed retail development director-designate. Riley Leisure: Mr Patrick Cravos is now a member of the

board. He is managing director of Powersport International, ubsidiary of Riley. Stoddard Carpets: Mr Neil

Macdonald has been appointed marketing director.

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technical director. Mr F R Ball succeeds Mr Torrance as managing director of the crane division. Total (8 witte, 50 overe) G. Rackemarto did not bes.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-17, 3-157, 4-162, 5-248, 6-248, 7-256, 8-251. BOWLING: Sarinaz 10-2-27-4; Paet 1; Nazir 9-0-67-0; Azrem 10-0-60-2 0-0-44-; Mansour 2-0-18-0. PAKISTAN

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Total (9 wids, 50 overs) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-30, 2-32, 3-33, 4-19,5-175,6-193,7-201,8-217,9-221,

## Chappell can be moved on South Africa

Sydney (Reuter). - Greg Chap-pell, who has just retired from Test ricket, would consider an offer to play in South Africa. The former Australian captain said in a local radio interview yesterday that he felt sorry for South African sportsmen and described Australian Government moves to islosue South Africa in sport as hypocritical while If someone can come along and

convince me that there won't be any hassles for me and my family, then I might consider an offer to play

# Richter and Jerke, like a blur, hurtling to

The general design of the sledge

itself is a superb piece of engineering

and when combined with the talent of their drivers, it leaves the East

Richter looks like being From Chris Moore, C

the Peter Stayvesant-sponsored in four British team, said. the rue The opening day of the two-man event at the World Cup in Cervinia The suspension system they have produced could only be developed by a nation for whom was dominated by Detlef Richter, of East Germany, who broke the track record in each of the first two runs.

money is no object, and that is the biggest problem we are up against. Our drivers are not far behind the best, but no matter how good they become, we are never likely to have a sledge to match what the Fast At the halfway stage he held a lead of almost a second over Michael Sperr, of West Germany, who had earlier lowered the record himself. But so far Richter has looked almost in a clear of his own. looked almost in a class of his own. Germans and Russians have come as has the new-style East German sledge with its unique hydraulic dampers on all four runners.

Britain had hoped to be using their own new £3.200 sledge during the competition, but not for the first time, the so-called Telford Bob, designed and constructed by lan Jones, the former Lotus designer, in Shropshire, has let them down. Nick Phipps, of London, drove it

class of his own

ractice runs before er resisted. "Poten-prove faster than obs when all the have been ironed ndent suspension but the runner stand up to the track. Hammond

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chance to linish in night after he and he brakeman, got th fastest start on But they lost that y down the 1.520losing their line e successive heavy shed them down immediately above a she other Retrieb the other British

driver, who won the bronze medal in the four-man event here a year Woodall and Tim Brooking were

struggling on starts but still clocked the ninth fastest time of Imin 9.83sec on the second run. That, however, was overwo seconds slower than Richter, who has so far brought the track record down from Imin 9.35sec to Imin 7.72sec.

LEADING POSITIONS: 1. East Germany (Richter and Jerke), 2:75.91.2 West Germany (Sperr and Leibel), 2:16.99; 3. East Germany (Sperr and Leibel), 2:16.90; 4. Italy (Ghedha (Schdeau and Leibel), 2:16.90; 4. Italy (Ghedha and Mesoghin), 2:17.49; 5. Japan (Okochla and Advisophin), 2:17.49; 5. Japan (Okochla and and Menegimin, 2 (7.1%) placings: 10, Phippa Sizukii, 219 01. British placings: 10, Phippa and Braden, 220,0%; 11, Woodah and Brooking, and Braden, 220,0%; 11, Woodah and Brooking.

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## THE TIMES 1000 1983/84 The World's Top

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More cricket page 19 Germans looking almost unbea-table," Mo Hammond, manager of

From David Miller, Paris The draw for the European Championship finals, which was made here yesterday. pitched England's conquerers. Denmark, against France in an opening match at the Parc des Princes on June 12. Yet the was perhaps more for the implied admission by the temporary president of UEFA, Jacques Georges, of France, that the

game is beset by cheating and In his opening address M Georges said that it was imperative for football, and port, to retain its faith in man nature or "We find urselves surrounded by doubt. scandal

It was we may presume. 2 hinly veiled reference to the isgraceful conduct of much of e last World Cup and parularly France's appalling when they neated out of the final by Vest Germany's goalkeeper. chumarher, an act which not ven the German federation nemselves had the dignity to were rightly their own by

M Georges stated: "In cometitions of this importance, chalever the sport, there is always the possibility of complaint or suspicion. Other sports also come up with miraculous - he means peculiar but because they do not attract football's worldwide publicity they do not create the controversies which have come our

are played but I also remain fully aware of what goes on. Let us do away with rumour and scandal and live for sport."

Such sentiment epitomizes everything French football has represented for as long as I can much of this century, and police yesterday afternoon. I

Group one

June 12: France y permark June 16: France v Belgiom, Nantas June 16: Denmark v Yugoslavia, June 19: France v Yagoslavia, St

June 19: Denmark y Belgium, Group two

June 14: W Germany y Portugat,

June 14: Rom June 17: Portugat

June 20: W June 20: Portugal or Refl

priate than that they should win the European title at home. We team of 1958, nor the far that England progressed to the 1966 final partially with the help of that crude foul by Sales on Simon in the first round.

Almost alone with Brazil and the Netherlands in the 1970s - France have retained that spirit of interpose, a belief the game was bigger than individuals and more about glory than results; they were an inspiration in the World Cup in Spain with such players as Giresse, Platini and Rocheteau. Nobody needs to be cheated and was personified before and or exploited. I remain confident after the draw here by the about the way our competitions generous humorous and sym-me played but I also remain pathetic manner of their diminutive manager, Michel Hidalgo.

We shall see their current shape when England play a friendly at the Parc des Princes on February 29, an occasion for recall. France have been there at the heart of the international the customary and inevitable game, without true success, for discussions with the French

lock our trouble-makers up for even longer than the Luxembourgers did

There is no doubt that group one in the European finals is the more difficult, containing the Ensive Belgians and versatile Yuguslavs as well as the best Denmark ever produced. West Germany, on the blink if their ariormances aganist Northern Ireland are any indication, have the easier draw with Portugal (in the first match). Romania and the erratic Spaniards, who still regarded suspicionsly their remarkable achievement in scoring the necessary double figures against Malta in eir lest match to eliminate the

In the draw for the under-21 arter-final, one of the three international compelitions in which England are doing rather more than their niors have achieved. Dave Sexton's team are at home to France in the first leg on February 28, with the away leg on March 28 or April 10. UNDER-21 CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW; Charter-Speis A: England v France; B: Scotland v Yugostavie; C: Albenia v Imly; C: Potend v Spain, Semi-finals: Winners of metch A v winners of metch C

#### **World Cup** dates fixed

In contrast to England, Scotland agreed to play three of their last four World Cup qualifying games away from home, the final one in Wales on September 10, 1985 (David Miller writes). The Welsh will be looking to avenge the result of the qualifier at Anfield for the 1978 finals, when Jordan handled in the Welsh penalty area and Scotland were given a

FIXTURES: September 12, 1984; lociand v Wales, October 17: Spain v Wales, Scotland v Iceland, November 14: Scotland v Spain, Wales v Iceland, February 27, 1985; Spain v Scotland, March 27: Scotland v Wales, April 30: Wales v Spain, May 26: Iceland v Scotland, June 12: Iceland v Spain, September 10; Wales v Scotland, Scotland, September 26: Scotland, September 26:

A court hearing is pending over the dispute but a city ball

would be ready for the champion-ships. Originally the stations, which

. When it is completed the stadium

when it is completed the stantain will hold 52,000 spectators (10,000 seats), but it will also be easily convertible into a 38,000 capacity ground with all but 6,000 seated.

Marseilles and the 52,000 (nearly 40,000 seats) capacity Stade Gerland, on which nearly \$6m has

been spent, in the central city of

an said that the stadium

Preparing the ground for the biggest kick-off in 46 years

## French spend £31m on seven stadiums for European finals

stadium construction and renovation programme has been undertaken by the French in preparation for the European championship finals. Seven stadiums, including a newly-constructed one at Nantes, will be used for the finals, Frances biggest football occasion since the 1938

des Princes in Paris, will stage two group fixtures, including the opening game on June 12 and the final 15 days later on June 27. Ironically, the Parc des Princes is the smallest of the seven grounds, with a capacity of 48,360, all seated and made capacity. end under cover.

There has been concern in some onariers over the size of the Parc des rinces, on which no modernization us been carried out for the finals. Yet at the official presentation of the finals in February, 1982 UEFA Officals were scarcely worried.
It has been suggested that sents at

the club would be happy to accommodate Chelsea if they are forced to move temporarily while Stamford Bridge is being redeveloped Mr Noades said 'tt has been agreed at a board meeting that we would in a commodate the consideration of the commodate that we would be the commodate t

would give sympathetic consider-ation to Chelsea but at the moment

it is not up to us to say any more.

There are plans for redevelopment of Stamford Bridge to start

this summer.

Danny Wilson, 24-year old Nottingham Forest midfield player, signed for Brighton for £45,000 yesterday, Wilson has been on loan with Brighton for six weeks and scored four goals in eight matches. His loan period was due to end the day before Brighton's FA Cup fourth round tie against Liverpool at Hove on Sunday, January 29. The

Hove on Sunday, January 29. The manager Chris Cattlin, said: "I've

been anxious to sign Danny since he first came to us on loan. The fact that he will now be able to play for

us against Liverpool helps to off-set the loss of Jimmy Case who will miss the match because of

Tokyo (Retter) - Frank Cedeno, of the Philippines the WBC fly weight champion, yesterday and impressed his Japanese challenger Kati Kobayashi, with his punching

Power.
"Cedeno lacks technique, but

seems to have a strong punch, the challenger said, as he watched

challenger saud, as ne watened Cedono box two rounds against Kazuhiro ikeda, Japan's No 3 light-

Ryseight contender.

Cedeno, aged 25, arrived here on Monday, for his first defence of the title he won from Charlie Magri in London last September. He resumed training

Cedeno, who stopped Magri in the sixth round, said he would go for a knockout on January 18. Cedono, a southpaw, produced impressive right jabs and left and right hooks to the body during his sparring. Both his punches are heavy, but his right hook seems stronger, Ikeda said.

Cedeno, sporting a bruise under

Cedeno, sporting a bruise under his left eye from sparring at home last Saturday, said he had no weight

training yesterday after about 50 rounds before

Chelsea can expect a

welcome at the Palace

Crystal Palace's chairman, Ron Bob Latchford, the former Noades, confirmed yesterday that England striker, has turned down a

BOXING

Cedeno's punching power

impresses Japanese

increase the capacity but the late Artemid Franchi, then UEFA European football's governing body when he said it was not important to

Mediterranean port of Massilles, a French second division club. Its capacity has been horessed by 11,300 to a possible 56,300, with 24,000 seats.

On the new stadium, the Stade de In Beanjoire in the Western city of Names, has been dogged recently by disputes between the city authorities and the construction companies over the contract price. Last week the planned inaugural match at the and Austria, on March 28, had to be rearranged for elsewhere because it

move to Manchester City.

FA Youth Cup draw

Monday's results.

THIRD DIVISION Southend 1 Bristol Rovers 2. SCOTTISH CUP: Second round: Dunismnine 1.

problem, and is not bothered by the cold weather of a Tokyo winter. Kobayashi praised Cedeno's body punching, but said he planned to use his legs to keep out of trouble.

JOHANNESBURG: South Africa's World Boxing Association (WBA) heavyweight champion. Gerrie Coctzee, has named Jeff Sims, of the United States, as the likely opponent for his first title defence (Reuter reports)

defence (Reuter reports).
The South African Press Associ-

Lyons, also a second division club, will stage the semi-finals as well as Most money has spent on the Stade de la Meimau in the eastern

## Auld loses job at Hamilton

Frank Gray, Leeds United's.
Scottish international defender or
midfield player, suffering three
broken bones in his left hand, has been ruled out of action for a month Southampton travel to either Newcastle for Leeds in the fourth round of the FA Youth Cup. The draw produced only one local derby, Chelsea v Brentford.

t under a year, was informed of board's decision at midday terday. Later, the commercial tager, David Morrison, said: "The directors will not make any lasty appointment and will adver-tise".

Meanwhile, the coach, John Lambie, who was with Auld at Hiberuian before joining Hamilton, will take over for Saturday's game at Brechin, The former Celtic a nager, John Clark, the forme Morton manager, Benny Rooney and the Queen's Park coach, Eddie Hunter, are candidates for the

Scientists serve

up an ace

for Miss Durie

Jo Durie has been at the service of

scientists in an analysis of her stamina. Britain's No 1 woman tennis player jogged nearly three miles on Monday while experts monitored her body functions through sophisticated electronic environment.

equipment.
Miss Durie's coach, Alan Jones, is

hoping the physiological assessment by the University of Liverpool will improve her game. She underwent a

## out for two months Alan Devonshire, the West Ham pited and England midfield Flanagam, who left Charlton for Crystal Palace for £65,000 five years

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player, was recovering yesterday from a knee operation that will keep him out of action for two months. Devoushire was injured in last Saurday's FA Cup third round win over Wigan, John Lyall, West Ham's manager, said yesterday. "He has a torn medial ligament in the right knee. It has been repaired, but Alan will be in plaster for five or six

Ham, who are third in the first division behind Liverpool and ter United. Devoushire, an ever-present, has orchestrated their challenge and Lyali arknowledged:
"He's 'a super player. It's a big
disappointment, but these things
happen and you have to overcome.
them."

the chance of playing for England against France in Paris on February 9 and it also means he is unlikely to re-appear in the FA Cup this season before the semi-final stage, should West Ham reach it.

ding the injury, Lyall said: "It's like a cartilage operation and will need a spell of recovery. The plaster will be changed during the six weeks to see how the knee is responding but at this stage it is mpossible to say exactly when Alan

Park Rängers Flanagan, today. Lennie Lawrence, the second division clubs manager, had talks with QPR manager Terry Venables yesterday and said afterwards. There have been one or two very interesting developments

Queen's Park Rangers would prefer Flanagan to make a permanent move to Charlton but

Roma depend on Falcao to provide the missing spark

Testing time for the champions

awrence still favours a loan • England's top 20 women footballers will train at Lillesball their UEFA

ago, has been unable to command a regular place in the QPR side and is valued at £50,000.

the move settled as quickly as possible so that Flanzan will be eligible for our fourth round FA. City tie on January 28."

If Flanagan signs, it is likely to asten the departure of Derek

Hales, who was stripped of the captaincy and transfer-listed follow-

The pair were sent off for fighting each other during Charltons third round "FA Cup replay against Maidstone at The Valley in 1979.

But Lawrence is still hopeful that Hales and Flanagan can settle their

differences. I would like Detek to stay because they were a very effective partnership in their early days at the valley and I believe they

could be an good again." he said.
"I haven't received any offers and

newspaper reports that he would use to play almogside him.

Lawrence added: "I want to get

Yesterday's results. POOTBALL COMMINATION: Queen's Park.

Platini's rising fortunes have

consolidated his own form since

And the ebbulient French

day when he scored the first

Juventus goal in the 4-2 win,

over Genoa which carried them

league's top marksman along-

## Injured Devonshire Parks called in to replace Clemence

Ray Clemence will not face Ray Clemence will not pace Fulham in the FA Cup third round replay at White Hart Lane tonight. The Tottenham Hotspur goalkeeper was ruled out after training yesterday, and will be missing after a run of 74 successive appearances.

Back to the front: Diego Maradona returned to Spanish League action against Seville with two goals after an absence of

Peter Shreeves, the Tottenham sistant manager, said; Ray's houlder problem has improved considerably, but not quite enough for us to risk him." Tony Parks, aged 20, will play his first game of the season, and only his fourth for

Tottenham delay selection of their side until after training today, to allow Hoddle the maximum time to recover from Achilles tendon trouble. Hoddle was able an undertake light training yesterday. Sinceves said: "The picture tooksmuch brighter for Glenn. He jogged, did on the picture of the control of the picture." did some exercises and we are hoping he will be fit. He definitely

Also in the large Tottenham squad are Archibald, who missed he goalless game at Craven Cottage, Crooks, Cook, Dick, Miller and

Fulham will be unchanged. Their manager, Malcolm Macdonald, has sured the 12 on duty on Saturday, existing the temptation to bring ack Staly, who is fit again. Mike Phelan's run of 87

consciutive league and cup appeartravel to meet Oxford United. The Burnley centre back has a knee-injury and the manager, John Bond, has told the former Southampton defender, Wakhon, to stand by. Phelan, Burnley's only ever-pre-

reorganized by Nils Liedholm, the Swedish manager.

Falcao was voted man of the

match at Verona last Sunday

but he was forced gradually

deeper to gain possession and

could not prevent his side losing 1-0. Liedhold is appparantly

unworried by his team's incon-sistent form: "We're only just

halfway through the champion-

ship. There's still a long way to

Falcao is also optimistic:

We expected to reach mid-

eaders so we're only one point

season two points down on the

adrift. It's at such times that

His optimism could yet be well

placed. Roma play eight of their

remaining matches at home,

including all the encounters with their fellow championship

find someone to bring out the

Lazio, who clearly need to

great teams show their mettle."

go", he said.

treatment for the injury which caused him to go off in the sixty fourth minute of the goalless tie at Turf Moor.

their 14th cup tie of the season. The full back, Hinshelwood, and the full back. Hinshelwood, and the forward. Vinter, resumed training resterday after suffering knocks on Saturday, but the midfield player, Brock, who has been in bed since the weekend with a heavy cold, was again absent. Rotherham United will again be without their captain and central defender, Stone; at West Bromwich. Stone's absence will mean another same for the teenage left back.

game for the teenage left back. Crossy, in an unchanged team. Cross, who twisted his apkie in the goalless draw ar Rotherham, has a late test for West Bromwich Albion Owen has recovered from a leg injury, and although the Dutch midfield player, Iil, is available again after suspension, Albion are likely to be unchanged.

Norwich City manager, Ken Brown, has warned his players against complacency, as they go muo the first of two cup des against Aston VIIIa. After tonight's FA Cup meet in a Milk Cup quarter-final

next Tuesdav In many ways, we did the hard part in drawing at Villa Park, but it is not over yet — not by a long chalk". Brown said. The forward, Shaw, is expected to

strain, and take his place in a Villa side showing just one change -Glover, aged 20, coming in for his senior debut, in place of the suspended central defender, Orm-

strugglers Pisa on Sunday.

president of his old club.

But Lazio's salvation could

come from their former inter-

taking up playing again, al-though he refuses to confirm or

deny the possibility.
While Turin and Rome look

set to battle out the champion-

ship honours, the mood in

Italy's other soccer hothed.

Milan, is one of quiet satisfac-tion. Both AC and Inter are six

points adrift of Juventus in

eighth and ninth places, respec-

tively, level-on 16 points with

disastrous early form which left

then bottom of the table at the

Meanwhile, AC Milan, newly

promoted, continue to emerge

as one of the most exciting sides

in the division, although they

will have to tighten a suspect

defence if they are to climb

Inter have shaken of their

Udinese and Ascoli.

start of the season

 Haif a dozen applications have been received at League head-quarters for the post of assistant manager of the summer Australa

#### BASKETBALL

**RUGBY LEAGUE** 

Whitehaven

have

naught for

comfort By Keith Macklin

Warrington on Sunday was the eighteenth consecutive defeat, a new

irst division record since two

The previous record of 17 defeats

was set up by Swinton in 1975-76 Whitehaven are the only team i

both divisions without a victory this season. In addition to their 18

eague defeats they have lost two

Cup games.
Although Tommy Bishop, the

Leigh coach, and Peter Smethurs, the Oldham coach, have criticized

John Mean, the referee, for abandoning Sunday's brawling league game, Smethurst has admit-ted that the fighting "sickened" him

"At the time I thought of packing in the game, but I thought better of i

later. I always played the game hard myself, but I have no time for

play," he said.

• With only five days before the

reached for a three and a half year sponsorship worth £47,000. Backing

Widnes are Stanley Leisure, a company based in the North and Midlands, specializing in casinos

Tom Smith, the chairman club, said that agreement ha

divisious were reintroduced

## Solent have no time to celebrate

There will be no time for Sperrings Solent Stars to bask in the glow of their ASDA Cup triumph on Monday. The players who devas-tated Planters Leicester 86-67 at the Albert Hall to take the troophy for the third year running will be back on court at Eastleigh tonight for a game the club regards as even more

Cibona Zagreb, the crack Yugos-lavs, are Solem's visitors in the European Cup-Winners' Cup, a competition in which the English club are now assured of playing in emin are now assured or playing in sgain next season whatever the outcome. By whisking the players straight back from London before the post-match reception had showed he meant business for tonight's group quarter-final. "I don't want to get too excited about winning the Cup because we've got another game on Wednesday", be

mind that Kelly rested two of his key players, Robinson and Saiers, in the closing stages when the points margin was enough to withstand any Leicester rally, not that one

Soleni were also indebted to Johnson, who is never more dangerous than when he has his back to the basket. He invariably twisted his way into scoring positions to claim 20 points, two less than Payton, Leicester's top scorer. However, Payton was outrebounded by Robinson and Saiers, who was voted the most valuable player of the match.

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Making their first appearance in the final, Leicester gave a good account of themselves for only the first six minutes, at which point the score was 12-12. The last 14 minutes of the half were disastrous for the Midland club as they sank only seven more points to Solent's 28. By half time the game was effectively

national player, Chinaglia, who reinraed from a period with The cup is in Solent's keeping, the league title is certain to go there for the first time and on current form they will take a lot of stopping it Chinaglia, aged 37, is re-ported to be thinkinking of both the Cup Winners' Cup and national championship finals at

## FOR THE RECORD

BASKETRALL: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION: New York Knicks 111, Philadelphia Tipers 73; New Jersey Nets 107, Washington Bullets 103.

CYCLING EREMEN Six-day nose (6th day): 1, Trusta-and A Fritz (WG), 170pts; 2, G Fritak and H-H Oersted (Den) 162 One lep behind: 3, A Dayle (GB) and G Wiggirs (Aus), 163, 4, J Kristen (WG) and R Pijnen (Neth), 128, ICE HOCKEY: NATIONAL LEAGUE Edmonton Office 7, Detroit Red Wings 3.

TENNIS. CARLAND (Calliornia): Virgidia Silenze first round (US writess stated): P Shriver bit A M Cacchini (Baly), 6-1, 8-2; K Filnskil bit K Commings, 6-3, 6-0; B Gadussek bit C Koheliornia (Bul), 5-5, 7-8; 6-4; M Malsewa (Bul), bit K Schaeler, 7-6, 6-2; L Bonder bit V Rucki (Rom), 7-5, 7-8; A Smith bit S Hamilta (WG), 7-6, neimed, AUGLAND: Auxidand Open championships first round (US unless stated): C Hooper bit G Miller (Aust), 6-4, 7-6; J Frankley (Aust) bit D Mustard (CQ), 7-6, 6-2; B Drawert (Bus) bit D Mustard (CQ), 7-6, 6-2; B Drawert (Bus) bit D Mustard (Bus), 6-4; S Brawley fit D Lawis (RUI, 6-4, 5-2); Listonia (RUI, 6-3, 7-6; C Lawis (Bus) bit P Donbarn (Aust), 6-3, 7-6; C Lawis (RUI b) bit P Donbarn (Aust), 6-3, 7-6; C Lawis (BU) bit P Donbarn (Aust), 6-3, 6-4; R Strapson (PZ) bit B Dyte (Aust), 3-6, 6-4; R Strapson (PZ) bit B Dyte (Aust), 3-6, 6-4; R Strapson (PZ) bit B Dyte (Aust), 3-6, 6-4; R Strapson

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SNOW REPORTS SECUTANDE Chingemen no report, quanties upper runs: some runs complete; wat stort; fover slopes ample nursely sease, quanties sease; fover slopes ample nursely sease, quanties and a first beat; tower slopes; and siddle runs; complete, wide snow cover; tend-packed snow on a first beat; tower slopes; limited nursely sease; hard-packed snow of some packets runs; prot; hit and main reside; cleer; snow layer 2,000ft.

New cup draw

The draw for the first round the new Associate Members Cup will take place at the Footbal League's Lytham St Annes head-quarters on January 25 at 11am.

## Rome (Reuter) - Roma the Catania and are facing an Italian champions, arrived at immediate return to the second the halfway point of their division.

European Cup winning side in 1967, has been dismissed as manager by Hamilton Academical, wh are third from bottom of the Scottish first m, Auld, who also spent three seasons playing for Birmingham City in the early 1960s, immediately said: "The one certain thing is that I

will return to football".

Anid, who had been at the club for

DRAW: Cheises v Brestlord: Anton Ville v Fuhum or West Hem United: Interest Town or Milited v Everion; Stoke City v Luton Town; Newcasile United or Lede United v Southempton; Arsensi v Norwich City or Cambridge United; Barnsley v Derby County or Manchester United; Sunderland v Liverpool. (Matches to be plered on or before Forenzy 4).

season over the weekend trailing the league leaders and their typified Juventus's return to arch-rivals, Juventus, by three form. He has painstakingly The star-studded Turing side, joining Juvenius after the 1982 spired by Platini of France. World Cup finals in Spain.

inspired by Platini of France, the European Footballer of the Year, have stolen the limelight man established a personal in the first 15 league games and record of scoring in seven thrust third-placed Roma well consecutive matches last Sunand truly into the shadows. And Roma - the Brazilian star, Falcao, and all - know they

must find their form in the a point clear at the top.

remaining 15 matches if they He has scored 11 of his side's remaining 15 matches if they are to retain their champion- 34 goals this season and is the Roma's misery is com- side Udinese's Brazilian import, pounded by the presence of Zico, whose mixed fortunes

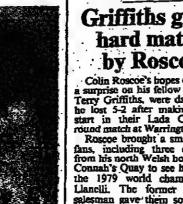
Juventus's Turin neighbours, prove again that one man - no Torino, in second place in the table, their best mid-season a team. position for six years. They lead Falcao still displays the skills the champions by a point but which prompted Roma sup-trail Juventus, who have 22 porters to dub him "King of

hardly easing the city's gloom. They hover one place off the bottom, just a point clear of fire a Roma team continually **TENNIS** 

matter who he is - never makes

porters to dub him "King of points, by two.

Meanwhile, Rome's other little avail. Dogged by widelyfirst division side, Lazio, are reported but unproven allegations about his love life, the Brazilian has tried in vain to



Wired for sound: Miss Durie is sorely tested.

As Miss Durie stepped off the treadmill, exhausted, she said: "My feel very wobbly. Finding out how I can improve thy game on the tennis court by computer will be

## SNOOKER Griffiths given

Colin Roscoe's hopes of springing a suprise on his sector westman, Terry Griffiths, were dashed when he lost 5-2 after making a bright start in their Lada Classic first round match at Warrington. Roscoe brought a small army of

fans, including three coach-loads from his north Welsh home town of Connah's Quay to see him take on the 1979 world champion from Llanelli. The former ice cream salesman gave them something to cheer as he potted brilliantly to mak When Griffiths missed a simple black in the second Roscoe stepped

in again with a 54 break to win 65-10 and take a 2-0 lead. But Griffiths won the next five fames to claim a quarter-final place against Steve Griffiths began his run with a break of 50 in the third frame and finished off in style with an 87

learance to win the seventh frame 132-7.
First round: (Sceniey) E Chariton (Aus) bt J
White, 5-3: (Monday) M Wildman bt S
Francisco (EA), 5-1; A Knowles bt M Hellett, 53; (Yesterday) T Griffinia bt C Roscos, 5-2.

#### talents of their Brazilian player, Batista, and the young Dane, Laudrup, were already plunging towards the foot of the table when their forward. Giordano. broke a leg. They were lucky to higher this season.

## Cooke makes return to captain Harlequins

RUGBY UNION.

David Cooke returns to captain lariequins as they aim for a sixth successive merit table win against Blackheath on Saturday. Cooke impressed in the England trial last ekend while his club defeated the Army, Gary Claxton, prop. is back after suspension to replace Trevor Borthwick, who has returned to

Cambridge University.
O'Brien takes over from Monday and Cooke ousts Aikin from the back row. Cuthbertson, the Scottish international second row forward, has influenzal Because of Scottish District and trials calls Cuthbertson last played for Harlequins in November.

Gary Cox, Moseley's car tain, misses his first match of the a saon against Neath on Saturday. He is rested in preparation for the John Player Cup tie at Sale on January 28. His place goes to Keith Bothwick, a promising young hooker.
Moseley make three more

Goodwin resumes on the wing after reserve duty for England.
Rose returns at full back to the Rosslyn Park team for their visit to Exeter on Saturday. He missed Park's win over Blackheath last weekend as he was on England trial

duty at Twickenham.

Chris Pinnegar, second row
forward, is drafted into the unbeaten Wasps team to tackle
tanelli at Stradey Park on
Saturday. He replaces Colclough
who is in France on Business.
Pinnegar partnered Colclough in the
London Divisor pack which faced

Davies, carmarked for a place in the England centre this season, is at ontside half with Melville, captain, as his partner.

£6,500 in the bag

Jenny Lee Smith, a leading Bruish woman golfer, has signed a

changes. Lockyer returns at No 8, 26,500 sponsorship agreement with with Beale staying at flanker in place. the Aycliffe and Peteriee Developof Warren, who has a rio injury. ment Corporations. JAN TUTIEN

The South African Press Association quoted Coetzee as saying the bout against Sims, who is not ranked in the WBA's top 10, would take place in South Africa in April or May. There is no doubt in my mind that Sims will be a computer. A similar or May. There is no doubt in my mind that Sims will be my opponent, although he might become entangled in an elimination fight against Spain's Alfredo Evangelism". Coetzee said. investigation carried out three years ago showed Miss Durie could improve, using untapped leg power. The current tests revealed she was The Spaniard is tenth in the WBA longer.
Her coach said: "We are trying to find ways of improving her game and the computer can pinpoint her Coctzee, who won the world title when he knocked out Michael and the computer can pinpoun and Dokes last September, said he would begin serious training uext week.

Other boxing, page 19

hard match by Roscoe

Dean takes up the theme.
"The main hall is superb, with a
lovely atmosphere. It's a big

They thought the changes they had made to Bolero would

spectators, even if they had had

Yesterday's men's compul-

setback for the reigning cham-

pion. Norbert Schramm, of

3.6 penalty points compared with the 0.6 of the leader, Jean-

Christoph Simond, of France.

Paul Robinson, representing

teenth, by no means discourag-

ICE SKATING

Russian rivals

try to lead

a merry dance

From John Hennesy, Budapest

that they may be in breach of not ideal, since the second rink

be elements in the programme lovely atmosphere. It's a big that were not, or should not, be permitted. Elena Tchaikovskaya, another leading Russian when you're on the ice, that you are in command of the centre of official, questioned the use of the stage."

They thought the changes

world champions to be sub- largely go unnoticed by most

innocent war of nerves, for the chance to see the Notting-much the same thing happened ham championship. They were last year, when they took the mostly subtle variations to help

world by storm with Barnum on the programme to flow and lee.

the programme to flow and develop. Apart, that is, from the

How could anything be one moment at the start when wrong. Miss Torvill asked Miss Torvill slides over her partner's body before beginning

marks of 5.9 and this is a man West Germany. He finished who has never yet awarded a sixth and has thus accumulated

letter after the British cham. He will expect to make good pionships, in the normal way of that deficit in the remaining

things, asking them to change a sections of the competition.

dances, an area where they are Britain in place of the national also seeking to push back the champion. Mark Pepperday.

frontiers. There was not a word now a professional, was seven-

Dean also refused any sugges-tion. expressed by Robin Pepperday, one recalls, was only tousins among others, that the sixteenth in his last. Robinson

programme was straight for- was fifteenth on the first figure.

ward by their standards. Dean but could not quite hold on.

skiing

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Stenmark after his giant slalom win yesterday.

2. Heinzer (Switz) 98. 3. Wenzei (Lech) 85: 4. Stemmar 84. 5. U Reeber (Switz) 83. NATIONS CUP LEADERS: 1. Switzerland 941 pts: 2. Austria 755. 3. West Germany 327: 4. Lechtenstein 235. 5. Canada 221

Martin Bell. the British number one. and his brother Graham are in Pritain's Leasure for the Olympic

situation.

esterday by reports filtering be total."

Tatiana Tarasova, who trains afternoon.

through from the Russian camp

the British couple's principal

challengers, thought there might

only one piece of music. It is not new experience for the

rected to what amounts to an

innocent war of nerves, for

hip in Nottingham in November, included Laurence

Denny, who is chairman of the

lee Dance Committee of the international Skating Union?

Denny, himself a former world

champion, gave them two marks of 5.9 and this is a man

full mark of 6.0 in any

Torvill and Dean received a

hold in one of the compulsory

of criticism of the free dance.

said yesterday: This is by far the most difficult programme

we have ever done, not only technically, but also because the

one single tempo dictates that

everything has to match every

single moment and besides that, of course, it is much more

to repress the strong impulses that would be out of character

for this kind of music. "There were times", he said, "when we

were lying dead at the end of a

Bolero run-through that we

actually felt like that, as though

Stenmark's

first giant

of season

Adelboden. Switzerland (AP) – Ingemar Stenmurk gained best times on both runs yesterday to win the giant slalom race and score his seventy-fifth World Cup victory. The Swede, a veteran of 10 World Cup victory and Cup victory.

Cup seasons, was timed for a combined 2min 27,3osee for the two runs featuring 50 and 51 gates with a drop of 330 metres (1,006 feet).

Stenmark, winner of two Olympic gold medals in 1980, who is barred

second.
Pirmin Zurbriggen, of Switzer-land, who beat Stenmark here last

year, finished third, 0.8 seconds behind. But Zurbriggen's perform-ance earned him 15 World Cup

points to take him into the lead

Stenmark was timed at 1:13.76 for the first 50-gate run, slowed by light snowfall, and 1:13.60 on the 51-gate second run, under a bright

sun. to secure his fifth giant slalom triumph on the Adelboden course.

from competing in next month's Sarajevo winter games because of his semi-professional status, beat the Austrian Hubert Strotz, by 0.68

One of the hardest things was

entotionally demanding."

competition.

RACING: LOCAL STEWARDS TO BE GIVEN

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even sure whether Run In

elso this afternoon Michael on can land a treble – which

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"It was lough going on both runs", he said. "The top part was on hard and trucky snow while the snow was soft on the home stretch." In the first run, Stenmark shared best time with the Austrian-born Marc Girardelli, who competes under Luxembourg's flag. But Girardelli turned in a slow second run and finished an aggregate 1.25 seconds behind the Swede.

seconds behind the Swede.

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In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great
Entian, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. The following report
has been received from a tourist board:

TENNIS: Mats Witander has been
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MAWN STREET br g by Review - Regent
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S Africans undone by speed of Torvill and Dean Moseley

Cape Town (Reuter) - Incisive fast bowling by Moseley and a fine 94 not out from Trouman spurred the West Indians to a crushing win over a South African XI in their one-day match here yesterday. The touring team's eight-wicket victory in the fourth limited-overs game gave them a winning 3-1 lead in the . Jayne Torvill and Chris- the last breath of life had gone topher Dean seemed unmoved from us. Concentration had to six-match series. Training conditions here are

CRICKET

The rebels' path to success was cleared when Moseley wrecked the South African front-line batting and linished with four for 38 from his 10 the rules with their Bolero free is four metres smaller than the tlance. Two of the Russian main arena, both in length and trainers have expressed doubts, breadth, But the ice, Miss overs. The South Africans were bundled out for 149 and the West Indians scored 150 for two with 10,1 one back in Moscow and Torvill says, is superb, and they another here in Budapest, as the uropean championships open the international season.

Torsin says, is supero, and they were looking forward to presenting Bolero before a full audience of 8,000 on Saturday overs to spare for their biggest win

Moseley, Alleyne, Stephenson and Clarke simply bowled too fast ad straight. The South Africans struggled from the moment cook was caught behind off Moseley, who went on to bowl Kirsten, the captain, and Fotheringham with blistering balls that cut back off the patch. prich, as well as having Mc Ewan caught behind. SCORES: South Alman XI 149 (41 2 overs) (R G Pollock 45, A Kupper 35; Moseley 4 for 38); West Indian XI 150 for 2 (38.5 overs) (E N Trotman 94).

Smith backs players on

panel at the British champion-to skate in earnest. bar incident All in all, they seem to be very much in control of the Auckland (Reuter) - Alan Smith. Auckland (Keuter) - Alan Smith, the England tour manager, has dismissed allegations of drunkenness and surly behaviour by members of the team here.

Smith said claims by lan Brooks, and tour supporter that members of the sory figures were a severe

supporter. that members of the touring team had behaved boorishly in their Auckland hotel on Saturday night were unfounded.

England's manager investigated players' behaviour after Brooks, a Middlesex CCC member, telexed a complaint to the Dailly Express in London. Smith said he found their behaviour and "unduly acception"

London. Smith said he found their behaviour not "unduly excessive". "I received no other complaints from members of the public in the bar at the time nor from any hotel staff". Smith added. But Brooks stood by his allegations yesterday, saying he would not expect behaviour of the kind he bad seen. Gower, Gatting, Cook and Fostergive way to Smith. Randall, Mards and Cowans in England's team for the three day match against

team for the three day match against Central Districts which was due to

MEN'S COMPULSORIES: 1, J C Sanonc (Fr), 0.6 pts; 2, J Sabovcik (Cz), 1.2; 3, R Cerns (WG), 1.6; 4, A Fadeyev (USSR), 2.4; 5, H Fischer (WG), 3.0; 6, N Schramm (WG), 3.6. British placing: 17, P Robinson, 10.2. PAIRS SHORT PROGRAMME: 1, E Valova and O. Vasilley (USSR) 0.4pis; 2 S Basss and T. Thierbach (EG) 0.8; 3 Thirty one chalets in a tented B. Lornez and K. Schubert (EG) 12 British placing: 9, 8, Garland and I Jenkins 3.6.

village at Edgbaston will be available for hire at £1,200 per day Jenkins 3.6.

WOMEN'S COMPULSORY FIGURES: 1.

E. Vodorezova (USSR) 0.8 points; 2. K.
Witt (EG) 1.2; 3. S. Cariboni (Switz) 1.8;
4. M. Ruben (WG) 2.4; 5. A.
Kondrashova (USSR) 3.0; 6. S.
Dubravcic (Yug) 3.6. British placing: 19.
S. Jackson (GB) 11.4. for the first Test match between England and West Indies in June. Jim Cumbes, Warwickshire's commercial manager, is following the lead of golf and racing in offering luving large leads of the second offering luxury class accommodation for 24 people in each chalet.

BOXING

## Smart's defence is still on

By George Ace

Hugh Russell, the former British Hugh Russell, the former British bantam weight champion from Belfast, will challenge Kelvin Smart, of Wales, for the British flyweight title in a joint top of the bill promotion at the King's Hall on January 25. This was confirmed at a press conference in Belfast yesterday which

press conference in Belfast yesterday which Smart and his father attended.

The London promoter, Frank Warren had protested to the British Boxing Board of Control on the grounds that he had Smart under contract to defend his title against Keith Wallace. But the promoter Stephen Eastwood said that Warren had not resistered as objection had not registered an objection when informed by the board of the

title bout application.

Russell, aged 24. gets the opportunity to emulate two illustrious former champions Rinty Monaghan, at present seriously ill in hospital, and John Caldwell and become the third Belfasi man to win

become the third Bellast man to win the flyweight crown.

The British and Europeann featherweight champion. Barry McGuigan shares the top place on the bill with a 12-round contest against Charm Chiteule, of Zambia, rated No 2 in the Commonwealth rankings.

one, and his brother Graham are in Britain's team for the Olympic Alpine Championships in Sarajevo next month. Martin was particularly impressive when he finished fourteenth in the third World Cup downhill of the season, at Val Gardena, Italy, on December 18, It was the second best result achieved by a Briton, bettered only by Bartelski's second at Val Gardena two years earlier. rankings. ' Prince Rodney's withdrawal from his British light-middleweight title defence against Jimmy Cable, at the Albert Hall, London, on Tuesday because of an eye injury, means Cable meets the Ohio-based Manning Galloway over 10 rounds. Galloway drew with Roy Gumbs, then the British middleweight champion, in Toronto in April champion, in Toronto in April

IN BRIEF

ATHLETICS: Kathy Cook is out of the Women's AAA indoor cham-pionships at RAF Cosford this weekend. An injured calf muscle has ended her hopes of making her first indoor appearance over 400 metres. She now hopes to compete in the European indoor championships in Gothenburg on March 3 and 4.
B tDMINTON: England aim to extend one of sport's iongest unbeaten runs when they meet Scotland at Bishopbriggs, Glasgow, on January 26. England have won 2C all 54 previous encounters, dating back to the first in London in 1922. ENGLAND (from): S Butler (Warwickshire), A Goode (Heritordshire), N Tier (Hampsters), D Bridge (Surrey), C Dobeon (Worcestershire), D Tallor (Middlesex), K Bedomen (Surley), B Sutton (Stationdshire), G Gowers (Sussex). HOCKEY: Oxford University beat

Cheam 2-0 in the London League match played at the Parks yesterday. Monks from a short corner and Hurn from open play scoring in the first half, Sydney Friskin writes. It was only Oxford's second victory in 14 matches, enabling them to move from twenty-fifth to twenty-fourth position in the table, one below Cambridge.

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1.45 BREEDON CHASE (Handicap, £1.362; 3m) TOTE: Wirk 25.90, Places. 21.80, 23.30, 54.10. DF: E51.90, CSF: 242.80. R Fisher at Ulversion. 1L 20L Play The Knevs (5-1) 4th, 16 cm.

WYMESWOLD CHASE (Div II: Nortces. £1,383, 21/3m) 

Mick Easterby was Mick Easterby was with cause to celebrate Colleen had given it treble by beating Rigit eight lengths in the Novices Hurdle. Easte two winners were Mi Leicester and B and the with a leith better. who just got the better Secret in a thrilling Collingham Novices

horses and it's won me £ Another trainer who a having had a touch over was Don Eddy, after Ru had won the Easthorpe Norton Grove Studs Hurdle, Last season at

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TOTE: Win. £4.80 Pieces: £1.70, £2.20, £1.20. DF: £8.90. CSF: £37.78 P. Balley at Salesbury 41 & Pretty Tough 20-1 4th. 14 ran. 3 15 NOMAD HURDLE (4-y-o: novices, £1,581

'Tot-up' system ended for jockeys

By Michael Seely

The automatic "totting up" of penalties for riding offences will be discontinued from January 16. The disciplinary committee of the Jockey Club have agreed that totting up has resulted in unfair penalities in certain instances, and local stewards are to be given greater flexibility when deciding upon the level of penalties to be imposed for careless or improper riding.

This is one of the major changes approved by the stenards of the Jockey Club after discussions between the disciplinary committee. the Jockey Association and the Horseracing Advisory Council.

When dealing with such cases the most significant factor to be considered by local stewards will be considered by local stewards will be the actual offences, the seriousness of which will be reflected by the level of penalty imposed. This will mean that penalties for a second or third offence need not necessarily be more than for a previous offence, and may be less, although a jockey's riding record may still be taken into account, particularly if he has committed another riding offence within a relatively short period.

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The HAC, while accepting that the penalties for reckless riding should be more severe than that for careless or improper riding were concerned that any suspension of more than 14 days would have a refrom effect on a rider's earnings.
The Stewards of the Jockey Club considered that it was desirable that such cases should be referred to the disciplinary committee for consider-ation, and have recommended this course of action to local stewards, except in cases of a first offence by an apprentice or conditional Jockey which may still be dealt with on the racecourse.

The disciplinary committee also The disciplinary committee also considered it natiair that those jockeys who ride most frequently should receive greater penalties for identical offences than other jockeys. The "senior" and "mid range" categories of riders have therefore been dropped and all jockeys will now be treated equally, with the exception of apprentice or conditional jockeys for whom lower levels of penalties are still recommended.

The Jockey Club's action has followed the mounting concern amongst most of the profession during the 1983 First racing season when there were 39 cases of careless and reckess riding involving a total of 233 days' suspension.

## Wetherby results

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2 15 TOTE HURCLE (handicap: £1 434, 3m 1f)



A giant leap but an insignificant one from John Francome's mount, Eggnog. Leicester. This was Eggnog's last chance to qualify for the Grand Nati

#### A great Barrier Reef for promising novices in the country is of course Michael brother-in-law.

By Michael Seely Yorkshire trainers are certainly planning a powerful assault on the weekend's rich prizes at Ascot and Newcastle. After Peter Easterby had watched No Bombs return to form with an easy defeat of W Six Times in the Wike Handicap Chase at Wetherby yesterday, the Malton trainer said that Torreon would go

to Ascot for the Green Highlander Chase on Friday. Monica Dickinson, representing her son the champion trainer, Michael, announced that Silver Buck would be rerouted from Ascot to Wincanton tomorrow for the John Bull Chase. "Not only has he got to give over a stone to Torreon. Silver Buck would now have to carry 12st as the weights have been raised."

Jimmy Flizgerald confirmed that Canny Danny, the conqueror of Bregawn at Haydock last Saturday would be sent to Newcastle for the Pintail Chase prior to tackling Barrier Reef, one of the most

last season, was another horse to find his best form when handing out a decisive heating to Kudos and Galway Blaze in the Keswick Handicap Chase, Ridden by Robert Earnshaw, the seven year old went clear approaching the last fence to win by six lengths.

win by six lengths.

"That's the first time anyone has ridden Barrier Reef in a race except for me," Thomas Tate, the winning trainer, said, "I booked Robert before the weights were raised and it wouldn't have been fair to have taken him off at the last moment." taken him off at the last moment."

Tate then said that Barrier Reet had lost his confidence after falling against Branding Iron in the West of

Scotland Pattern Chase at Ayr last scason. "The horse frightened himself and I am now going to restore his confidence in further smail races. "This horse will one day be in the

CROWBOROUGH HURDLE (Div I: novices: £548: 2m) (13 runners)

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11-8 Morton The Hatter. 3 Double Past, 5 Witetts Farm Boy, Day After. 12 Mossy Moore, 18 Landas Stave, 25 others

12.45 GRANTSHOUSE HURDLE (handicap: conditional jockeys: £601:

PARIG WHISKY HURDLE (NOVICES: £1,182: 2m) (13)

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1.15 DUNS CHASE (handicap: Limited: £1,550: 2m 196yd) (5)

1.45 HAIG WHISKY HURDLE (novices: £1,182: 2m) (13)

2.0 PEVENSEY CHASE (Novices: £1,225: 2m 3/ 90yd) (8)

2.30 PORTSLADE CHASE (Handicap: £2,026: 3m 1f) (8)

3.0 WIVELSFIELD HURDLE (Selling: £806: 2m) (20)

GOING: good to soft

Leicester results

Silver Buck class, make no mistake about that. And I should know because I have won races on both Silver Buck and Bregawn." Mr Tate

been a great day," sai "I've had a £200 treble

Newcastle jeweller ne £12,000 after his mare hi amateur riders flat race.

I did not have nearly a this time," Eddy said. have been giving troub

SCOT BENNETT THE DOWNS (A F TOCHARA (CD)

3.30 COOKSBRIDGE CHAS

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35 WIKE CHASE (handicap: £2,347 2m 4f 100yd)

3 40 HEALAUGH HURDLE 4-V-0 novices: 2548. SWEET COLLEEN on I by Connaught Tirana (G Graham 10-5 ... A Dickman (4-1) 1 Rigion Salty ... ... S Youlden(33-1) 2 Keycom... ... J O'Nen(7-4) I have 3 TOTE Wm: £4 40 Places: £2 10, £11 70, £1 10 DF £747 70 CSF £125.85 M W Easterby at Sheri Hutton. £8.8, Nudge Nudge [3-11-4h 15 ran. NP Pickering Fair. PLACEPOT £802 75

**Taunton results** 

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Vic's Gazette. 2.15 Little

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being 10th out of the p in the Tote Hurdle, from 7-1 to 4-1, she was ut of the first two, and led throughout the final circuit Spark off by a length. Peter a rising star among young ckeys, landed a 25-1 double ejn and Woodlands Lad to seasonal score to 14. COING: TOMORRIQUE Winsmith .\_... \_ \_...G Old .... \_ . ...G Moore ... W Smith

ATHLETICS

How the other half lives: Cram breakfasting on b

champagne yesterday (Photograph: Harry )

Cram is a mo

equal champi

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The disparate worlds of Steve injury persists. Cram and Geoff Parsons – both British No 1s in their event –

sponsor. Rank Xerox. A dis- weather, and you c

were no better exemplified than

by their meetings with the press

vesterday morning. A relaxed Cram invited the media to a

champagne breakfast in a

luxury hotel at Heathrow to

announce the backing of a new

gruntled Parsons literally bum-

ped into your correspondent in

the midday gloom of central London and started railing

about his lack of finance,

particularly any Sports Aid

Australia and New Zealand, but

his projected six-week training

tour could be cut short if the

Walker a mile

ahead

- John Walker of New Zealand

held off Mike Bolt of Kenya last

night to win the last of three

one-mile races and take the

along the main street of Nelson.

in a time of 3 minutes 50.5 seconds, followed his victory in

the first race in Mount Mann-

ganul and second place behind Mike Hillardt of Australia on

Bolt was timed at 3:54.3 over

uphill over the last 300 yards, and opted to study e

does not respond to treatment. metres is an Olympic

to about 90 miles a week, but he the autumn in appli

left for a honeymoon in Florida minimum grants of £:

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The right knee has alread end of the month, Pa

responded to treatment since he yesterday: "I'll believe

returned to Britain last Satur- see it in my hand". I

day, but, having missed two his way to see his bank weeks training, he has cancelled to try to extend an over the control of t

his lirst race im Melbourne this that he could get to CC weekend. Cram now hopes to weekend for the AA-

Moorcroit, Allan Wells and the do 2.28 on Saturday?

other members of the small If he jumps that help

**TABLE TENNIS** 

Prean is dropped fo

By a Special Correspondent

match with Yugoslav

Carl Pream aged 16, the former England No 1 whose promising four attempts, against in their last two miles in the miles in the

British touring team. But if the cannot be any excuse.

the Nelson course, which was

tendonitis he has in both knees

The world 1500 metres cham-

pion developed the inflam-

mations just before Christmas.

when his training had built up

on Boxing Day and could not

get any treatment for the 10

be able to compete in Sydney on January 22 before going on to

New Zealand with David

Paraparaumu beach.

Walker's win on the course

Nelson, New Zenland (Reuter)

Cram was en route to

Foundation grant

By Pat Butcher

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Douglas has beaten in both the Yugoslav singlest Zoran Kalinic and Milives. Sevic. both of whom are acrs. even though Kalinicanother left-hander, is often most improved players in the and is ranked two places he English national chanthe European No 4.

England's other nation

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England's record is variablich

Douglas will probably

Parsons was dissu

Parsons, aged 18.

What should certa

Mansfield tonight.

Graham Sandley, the left-handed England No 4, who encouragingly won one of his singles in the creditable 43 away defeat by Czechoslovakia last month, is simple contains to continue in the

almost certain to contiume in the second singles place. Desmond Douglas, another left-hander, who recently regained the No 1 ranking recently regained the INO 1 Faircing from Pream will occupy the first.

Douglas's continued outstanding ability – he is regarded as the equal of anyone over the shorter best-of-three games format of the European league – gives England reasonable hope of a big win over the team that risgoing for a hat-trick of titles.

If those hopes are realized it will ensure England, two places from the **TODAY'S FIXTURES** FOOTBALL

by rule changes on bat rubbers and on service, is left out of the important European Superleague champions and league leaders, at Manslield Ionight.

Graham Statter

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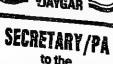
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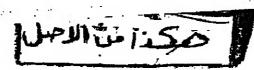
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6.30 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Selina Scott, News with Fern Britton at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30 with headlines on the quarter hours; sport at 6.40 and 8.40; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.45, 7.15, 7.45 and 9.15; a preview of the day's television at 6.55; a review of the day's newspapers at 7.18 and 8.18; Mike Smith's pop news between 7.45 and 8.00; Esther Rantzen's That's Life file between 7.30 and 7.45 with a follow-up 'phone-in between 8.30 and 9.00; and horoscopes

9.00 Mind How You Go. Road safety hints from Jimmy Savile (r). 9.10 Arimal Marvels. Tony Soper explains how birds can fly (r). 9.35 Coefax. 10.30 Play School, presented by Stuart McGugan (r). 10.55 Gharbar. Magazine programme of interest to Asian women. The programme includes a discussion on ante-natal care between Surinder Kocher and

Farida Abidi. 11.20 Coefax. 12.30 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale. The weath prospects come from Bill Giles. 12.57 Regional news (London and SE only: Financial report followed by news headlines with subtitles). 1.00 Pebble Mill at One includes enother lesson from the cooking canon from Carlisle the Ray John Eley, 1.45 Bod (r).

2.00 Pled Piper. A music and drama version of Robert Browning's poem, by the children of Broom Leys School, Coalville, 2.30 Film; Those Endearing Young Charms" (1945) starring Robert Young as a young man whose childhood sweetheart is swept off her feet by a "wolf". Directed by Lewis Allen, 3.48 Regional news (not London).

3.50 The Amazing Adventures of Morph (r) 3.55 Play School, presented by Chris Tranchell 4.20 Heathcliff. Animated adventures of a marmelade cat 4.25 Jackanory 4.35 Granded starring Clive Dunn State of the Craven's Newsround 5.10 Think of a Number. Lighthearted science with Johnny Ball.

5.40 Sixty Minutes includes the national news from Richard Whitmore at 5.40. 6.40 Harty, With Russell at the

Greenwood Theatre, London, are John Hanson and David

7.05 Cliff! Highlights from the popular singer's last series. 8.05 Cockles. Part two of the cornedy series set in a seen-better-times holiday resort on the coast which tonight sees the arrival of 20 coach loads of trippers, diverted from a neighbouring resort because of a grounded oil-tanker.

9.00 News from John Humphrys. 9.25 Whicker's World. Mr Whicker continues his Pacific cruise on the Queen Elizabeth 2 and meets a Mexican multimillionaire and his family as vell as the below stairs staff who cater to the every whim of the passengers. He also gets a

larders. 10.30 Sportsnight introduced by Harry Carpenter. Football and Skating are featured tonight with highlights from one of the evening's FA Cup third round replay matches and coverage of the free skating programme of the European Skating Championships from

Budapest 11.38 News headlines. 11.40 Phil Silvers\* as Sergeant camp not to be afflicted by Gambiers Anonymous. Can he save his men from the dreadful malady? (r)

TV-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by John Stapleton and Rick Owen. News at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 9.00; sport at 6.35 and 7.33; Wincey's Pets at 6.40 and 9.03; excercises at 6.50 and 9.15; the days' odd arriversaries at 7.05 and 8.05; John Stapleton with guest in the Spotlight at 7.20; cartoon at 7.25; Pat Phoenix's Week at 7.40 and 8.45; pop video at 7.55; Dickie Henderson's Magic Moments at 8.10;Eve Pollard's gossip column at 8.35; and tips from Pat Phoenix at 9,12.

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9.25 Thames news headlines followed by Sesame Street. 10.25 Hercules the Wrastling Bear. The story of the caree of Hercules, an eight foot, 14 stone bear, that became a wrestler (r). 11.15 Science International. A brief glimpse of the latest developments in the world of science, 11.20 Wild, Wild World of Anim The life of the dingo, a species of Australian wild dog that still thrives despite man's attempts to stop it breeding. 11.45 The Little Rascals' have Birthday

12.00 Flicks, For the very young, presented by Christopher Lillicrap. 12.10 Sounds Like a Story. Mark Wynter with the tale of Budulinek, 12.30 Three Little Words. A new series of the word game presented by Ray Alan and Barble.

1.00 News with Leonard Parkin. 1.20 Thames news. 1.30 A Plus. Lady Longlord is interviewed at her home by Gill Nevill. 2.00 Crown Court. Continuing the case of the former employer accused of arson at his old factory.

2.30 Snooker. The Lada Classic 1984. From the Spectrum Arena, Warrington, Dickle Davies Introduces coverage of the game between Kirk Stevens and Murdo MacLeod. 3.30 Sons and Daughters. Australian made drama serial,

4.00 Flicks. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.15 Batfink; 4.20 Luna, Part two of the science fiction adventure (r), 4.50 Rezzamatazz, Fun and game: and pop music presented by Alastair Pirrie and Vikid Benson, 5.15 Family Trees. Genesological series with Mike Smith.

5.45 News 6.00 Thames news. 6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee with news of the British Diabetic Association.

6.35 Crossroads, Joe Macdonald looks a gift horse in the mouth. 7.00 Name that Tune. Musical quiz compared by Tom O'Connor. 7.30 Coronation Street, Frad Gee's ruse to get his car stolen is foiled by the ever-vigilant boys

3.00 This is Your Life. Eamonn Andrews activates the tear ducts of another unsuspecting

8.30 Up the Elephant and Round the Castle. The last programme in the cornedy aeries starring Jim Davidson as the cockney lad learning the owning a house in South London.

9.00 Minder: Rocky Eight and a Half. A new series returns with Arthur driving a new car and Terry in a new 'geff'. But nothing else has changed, thankfully. Arthur is still exploiting Terry while Terry accepts it more or less with equanimity. (See Choice).

10.00 News. 10.30 Snooker: The Lada Classic 1984. The final metch of the round pits Alex Higgins against Liverpool's John Parrott.

12.15 Night Thoughts from Paul Boateng. FREQUENCIES: Radio 1: 1053kHz/285m; 1089kHz/275m; Radio 2: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; Radio 3: 1215kHz/247m; VHF -90-92.5; Radio 4: 200kHz 1500m; VHF -92-95; LBC 1152kHz/261m; VHF 97.3; Capital: 1548kHz/194m; VHF 95.8; BBC Radio London 1458kHz/206m; VHF 94.9; World

lan Charleson as Lieutenant Dorfrichter: Channel 4, 9.00pm.

BBC 2

5.40 Film: The Fighting Kentuckian\* (1949) starring John Wayne as Kentucky

a group of French familie exiled to Alabama after Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo. He falls for the

rifleman John Breen who joins

daughter of one of the families and because of this leads them against a landowner who is out to steal their land.

Directed by George Waggner,

programmes presented by John Tusa begins with a look at some new evidence that has

come to light concerning the real reason for Kitchener's last

mission in which he last his life

when the cruiser he was on.

HMS Hampshira, was sunk en route for Russia. Other items include Lord Bullock talking about the formation of Nato,

the beginnings of the cold war and how that war was ended;

and an appraisal of what might

ondon and not turned back at

have happened if Bonnie Prince Charlle had reached

repeat of the award-winning

really like for the officers and

aircraft carrier, HMS Ark Royal. The series begins with

the sailors in Devonport's red-

light district drinking away their last few hours before the

series of ten programmes, presented by Geoffrey Smith, which traces the origins of our more popular flowers. The

series starts with lillies, a

for the development and

varieties of the species.

game of the tournament is

9.00 Pot Black 84. The second

9.25 Strangers and Lovers. Part

10.20 Newsnight. The latest world

one of a 13-episode drame based on novels by C P Snow

Set in 1927, the stories begin

career at the bar and an infatuation with Shella Knight

and domestic news plus an

extended look at one of the

Image\* starring Vera Miles and Martin Milner. A young

case keeps moving around

in a crowded bus station. But

sitting in the waiting room. Directed by John Brahm. Ends

main stories of the day.

played on her when her

then she sees her double

11.05 The Twilight Zone: Mirror

with Lewis Ellot starting a

Bolton.

(see Choice).

flower that was used in the

past in religious ceremonles. Mr Smith visits a 350 acre area

in Oregon which is being used

production of countless new

between Willie Thorne of Leicester and Tony Knowles of

next tour of duty (r).

8.35 Geotfrey Smith's World of Flowers. The first of a new

documentary, first shown in 1976, that shows what life was

men aboard the now-scrapped

8.05 Fly on the Walt. Saltor. A

Derby.

Timewatch, Another in the

history-with-hindsight

9.00 Ceafax.

5.35 News summary

 Even those viewers with the benefit of television recording equipment will be hard-pushed tonight with the start of three excellent series, all over-lapping. THE DEVIL'S LIEUTENANT (Channel 4, 9.00pm) is a gripping two-pert adaptation by Jack Rosenthal of Maria Faygas's novel, set in Vienna at the turn of the century, concerning the poisoning by cyanide of Captain Mader, a andering officer of the General Staff Corps of the Austrian Army and the attempted murder of nine of his colleagues. The army's attempts to hush up the incidents are thwarted by the press and so a military judge advocate, Emil Kunze, is reluctantly appointed to investigate. Thus begins a simple murder inquiry that develops into a psychological battle of wills between Kunze, played with

CHANNEL 4

of the popular board game.

Yesterday's winners are challenged by Glorie Hunniford

and her member-of-the-public

introduced by Therese Birch.
The second programme in the series designed to help those with extra leisure time. In this

about his passion for stamp collecting and shows part of

his magnificant collects

microlight; and there is an exploration of a Victorian

amateur theatricals and when

he arrives home with muscle

aching Lou offers to give him a

massage. Unfortunately he mixes up the witch-hazel with

Artist. Programme two of the live-part series illustrating the work of different types of

artist. Melindha Perham has

been painting the history of Clovelly, a picturesque Devon

years on the pubbles she finds

on the beach. The grey stones are first coated with white

emulsion and then she roughs

out the designs in pencil before applying acrylic paint.

The programme is presented

by Ken Sprague with music provided by Roaring Jelly.

7.00 Channel Four News.

Jeremy Hanley.

8.00 Brookside. All is not

7.50 Comment. The political spot

returns after its seasonal

sweetness and light in the

engaged couple, Alan and Samantha, blissfully going

first time since their bitter

has got the better of her,

collapses at the doctor's.

French singer has as her

Episode one of a two part dramatization of Maria

Petula Clark.

9.00 The Devil's Lieutenant.

story concerns an

guests. American entertainer Dean Martin and Britain's

Fagyas's powerful novel by Jack Rosenthal. Set in Vienna

at the turn of the century, the

investigating officer and the man he suspects of poisoning an officer of the elite General

Staff Corps (see Choice).

tribute to modern musicals

featuring Broadway star,

10.55 American Dance Machine. A

Gwen Verdon.

12.00 Closedown.

argument; Paul Collins is in

danger of losing his job; and Annabelle, whose depression

about planning their wadding. Marie and Sheila meet for the

Close despite the newly-

break with the Conservative

MP for Richmond and Barnes,

fishing port, for the past six

5.30 Everyone a Special Kind of

rubbish tip (r).

6.00 The Abbott and Costello

partner. Nan Coren is the

5.30 Making the Most Of ...

5.00 Television Scrabble. Round three of the television version

CHOICE

remarkably restrained anger by celebrated German actor, Halmut Griem, and the suspect, Lieutenant Dorfrichter, a sneering, provocative performance by lan Charleson (Liddell in Charlots of Fire). Skilful direction by John Goldschmidt makes one impatient for tomorrow's final episode. Later, STRANGERS AND

PROTHERS (BBC2, 9.25pm), a 13-part version of C. P. Snow's series of 11 novels written between 1840 and 1970, chronicles the career and private life of Lewis Eliot, an extraordinary acting feat by Shaughan Seymour who ages from young, struggling, barrister in 1927 to late middle-aged man, tearfully anticipating death. Tonight's episode concentrates on Eliot's

thwarted love-life with the daughter of a vicar, Sheila played with great sensitive Sheila Ruskin, Peter Salis successfully trades his co of Clegg for that of Leonar a Jewish businessman sh his son Charles's attruism wing friends. Among other wordy but well-acted produ Carmen du Sautoy as Ann journalist member of the C

 By way of comic contra series of MINDER (ITV, 9p) with Arthur still exploi with Arthur still exploiting a soft-heartedness and naive ceaseless search for wealt status. Tonight, Arthur arra Terry to appear on a non-li boxing promotion. If he win fight, Arthur assures Terry, world will be your lobster

5.00 News Magazine. 5.50 Sh Forecast. 5.55 Weether;

Programme News. 5.00 The Six O'Clock News; F Report.

5.30 Futny Pscullar, With Jun Whitfield, Martin Jarvis, E Johnstone, Lance Parcive Berbara Kelly and Alan M

7.35 The Archers.
7.20 Ray Gosling – in the Hous,
Angela Cadaxa, a comm
worker with a big job in the
Southwick district of

Sunderland.
7.45 Four Romantic Heroes. Ec Fairlex Rochester meets t Fairlex, Rochester meets in ward's governess in 'Jane With Nigel Hawthorne and Joanna Dunham.

8.15 Children Singing. 'Pure An Trebles' – first of two programmes examining the differences between gris' boys' voices, and Anglican Cafholic Church traditions?

8.45 Ambassadors of Commerce of Comm

Ambassadors of Commercunofficial history of the commercial traveller. With I

Thompson.
9.30 High Street Africa Revisited Anthony Smith motorcycles Caro to Cape Town (Secon 2 talks) (r) 9.45 Kaleidoscope, Dame Flora

Robson in conversation with Michael Billington about her year career. A Book At Bedtime: 'Ninete Egipty-Four by George Orw (8). Read by Kenneth Halph. 10.30 The World Tonight, including 11.00 Financial World Tonigh 11.30 Child of Joy. An appreciation

song and verse of the Gloucester poet and compos Ivor Gurney. News. 12.10 Weather, 12.15 12.00 Close and Shipping Forecast England VHF as above except 6.25-6.30 Weather, Travel 1.5 2.00pm Listening Corner, 5.55 5.55 PM (continued). 11.00-11.30 Study On 4: L'Italia dal VIvo.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather, 7.00 News 7.05 Your Midweek Choice Weather. 7.30 News. Your Midweek Cholos: part on Rimsky-Korsakov's suite The Show Maiden; Mozart's Piano Concerto No 21 (with Jorg Demus, piano); and Shostakovich's Romance (The

8.05 Your Midweek Choice: part two Finzi's Five Bagatelles (Thea

BBC1 Wales: 12.57pm-1.08 News of Wales Headines, 3.48-3.50 News of Wales Headines, 5.53 Wales Today, 12.05am News and weather; Scotland: 12.55pm-1.00 The Scotlish News, 5.53 Scotland: Skty Minutes, 12.05am News and weather; Northern Ireland: 12.57pm-1.00 Northern Ireland News, 3.48-3.50 Northern Ireland News, 5.53 Score Around Str. 12.05am News 5.53 Scene Around Soc. 12.05am News news magazines, 12,10am Close.

HTV WALES As HTV West except: 8.00pm-6.35 Wales

Radio 4

6.00 Farming Today from the Oxford Farming Conference. 6.25 Shipping Forecast. 6.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News Summary, 8.45 Prayer for the Day. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 Today's News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day.

8.43 'The Pledge' by Friedrich
Durrenmatt (3). The reader is Bernard Hepton. 8.57 Weather

week's programme BBC weatherman Michael Fish talks Shiey Jackson continues with

his watercolour painting class; Therese Birch tries living a Show\* Bud helps with the local

John Ebdon.
12.08 News: You and Yours.
12.27 The Magic Carpet Last of a seven-part dramatization by David Beating of the story of the R101 smahlp. The narrator is Contrad Phillips (r). 12.55 Westher: Programme News.
1.00 The World At One: News.
1.40 The Ambert. 1.55 Shieups.

1.00 The World At One: Naws.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping
Forecast.
2.00 News: Women's Hour. Today's
items include an interview with
the guest of the week – Jo Foley,
who is editor of Woman
magazine. She was recently
elected Editors' Editor of the
Year. There is also the alcoho

magazine. She was recently elected Editors' Editor of the Year. There is also the eighth instalment of Over the Bridge.

3.00 Afternoon Theatre: Sam Shepherd's Shark, by Philip Barkar. With Timotiry Bateson and June Spencer. It is the story of a couple who once hooked a shark white deep-see fishing off the Cornish coast, Eight years later, Sam is still trying to repeat his moment of glory. Eventually he is lucky – but he suffers something of a humillation.

3.47 Time for Verse. Fleur Adock selects poems about settlers.

selects poems about settlers.
4.00 News; Just After Four. Gleny:
Miles on studying feablon.
4.10 Agenda 84. Future world

an Agenda 44. Future world problems (2) The Argument of the Suffet (r).

4.40 Story Time: 'Disry of a Plighmage' by Jerome K Jarome (3). Read by Lance Percival.

S4C Starts: 2.20pm Ftalabalam. 2.35 Interval. 2.50 Years Ahead. 3.30 Dick Van Dyke Show. 4.00 Take Six Cooks. 4.25 Television Scrabble. 4.55 Pictiwns Bach. 5.00 Pias Y Dyn Plastig. 5.30 Munsters. 6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Bewitched. 7.90 Newydiodon Sathr. 7.30 Y Fillth Sywar. 8.00 Gwraidd Y Gaino. 8.30 Y Byd Ar Bedwar. 8.00 Film: Continuits of Mine Ellers (Pater Spillers) Optimists of Nine Elms (Peter Sellers). 10.55 Mireille Mathiau. 11.25 Lempard of Bali. 12.29sm Closedown.

HTV As Lordon except: 10.25am On Safari, 10.45 Space 1999, 11.35-12.09 Joe 90.\* 12.30pm-1.00 Vintage Quiz, 1.20-1.30 News, 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors, 6.00-6.35 News, 12.15am Closedown.

Traves,

9.05 News.

9.05 Michweek: Libby Purves is in the chair, With Tim Brooke-Taylor.

10.00 News: Gardeners' Question Time visits Darbyshire.

10.30 Morning Story: "My Hero" by Brian Glenville. Read by the neithor.

Brian Glamville. Read by the author.

10.45 Daily Servicet.

11.00 News; Travel; Baker's Dozen with Richard Bakert.

11.48 Near Myths (new series). Some oblique reflections on present-day life in the Greek islends by John Ebdon.

12.00 News; You and Yours.

REGIONAL TELE TYNE TEES As London except: 10.25em Stan and

Ollie.\* 10.50 Mystories Myths and Legends. 11.10 That's Hollywood. 11.85 European Folk Tales. 11.45-12.00 Larry the Lamb. 1.20pm News. 1.25-1.30 Where the Jobs Ara. 6.00 News. 6.02 Croseroads. 6.25-7.00 Northern Life. 12.15em Thank God That We Are. Closerowe. YORKSHIRE As London except: 10.25am Nature of Things. 10.50 Insects that Help Us. 11.05 Greatest Adventure. 11.55-12.00 Mouse on Mars. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 6.00-6.35 Calendar. 12.15am

CENTRAL As London except: 10.25em Film Fun. 10.50-12.00 Film: The Great Van

Robbery, 12,30pm-1,00 Crown Court, 1,20 News, 1,30 Three Little Words, 2,00-2,30 Take the High Road, 6,00 Crossroads, 5,25-7,00 News, 12,15am

TSW As London except: 10.25am Hands. 10.50 Space 1999. 11.40-12.00 Dasha. 1.20pm-1.30 News. 5.15 Gus Honeybun. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30-7.00 Scene South West. 12.15am Postscript, Closedown.

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purchase. Negotiations on how rest to simplify, speed and reduce to cost of purchase are to open lomorrow between the Govern ment and the promoter of House Buyers Bill. Mr Austin Michell, Labour MP for Great

A bargaining session has been arranged between Mr Micheli, whose Bill was given a seco. d reading in the Commons last month, and Sir Patrick Nigyhen, the Solicitor-General, who failed narrowly to persuade MPs to kill the measure.

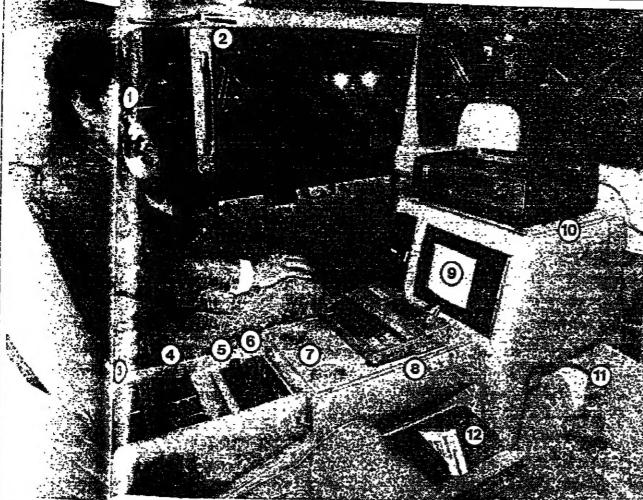
Sir Patrick told the Commens that the Government thought competition in coe arcing was beneficial, but that Mr Muchell's Bill, as drafted, was unsafe. It would feil be; and redemption" to give the purchaser proper protection, he

But the publication of Mr Mitchell's Bill, which has ill-party sponsorship, pushed the Cabinet some way. Sir Patrick said the Government was ready to introduce its own legislation where necessary to extend the right of conveyancing to solicitors employed by milding societies, banks and possibly, other bodies.

Sir Fatrick resisted the widening of competition to allow non-lawyers to undertake conveyancing under licence, as Mr Mitchell proposed, but the Prime Minister said later that the Government was consulting about allowing non-lawyers to do conveyancing of registered

Mr Mitchell and his main onservative supporter Mr Conservative supporter Bowen Wells, hoper that Sir Patrick will tomorrow rainek will tomorrow go further and promise that the committee will be asked to report within a few months and that the Government will act on its recommendations.

Above all, Mr Mitchell and Mr Wells want the Government to speed reform by adopting. and, if need be, improving the Bill now before Parliament. however reluctant ministers may be to allow a Labour MF much of the credit. But their bargaining strength is limited.



Status symbols: 1 phone. 2, Intercom to driver. 3, TV control. 4, Video recorder. 5, Radio-cassette. 6, Control panel (anti-handit 10 mputer printer control, andio/video controls). 7, Glass-holder. 8, Computer (Epsom Hx20). 9, TV monitor, 10, Co. printer, 11, Drinks cabinet, 12. Cassette storage. Below, the exterior. (Photographs: John Voos).

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electrically and locked centrally. Other luxury features for rear passengers include armchair-style scats in buscuit leather and twin reading lamps,

British Architects; Guildford House Gallery, 155 High Street. Guildford,

Surrey, Mon to Sat 10.30 to 4.50 (until Jan 28).

A Nice Clean Game, and The

Song of Songs: paintings and etchings by Diz Harfor, New South

Wales House Gallery, 66 The Strand, WC2, Mon to Fri 9 to 4,

(until Feb 16).

**New London exhibitions** Mulheimer Freiheir, the second bombing: works by six Cologne replace the normal folding rear apartment passenger seats. Special sections are provided to hold whisky or champagne glasses wheh are kept with their decanters in special side

The office Daimler will be built to customer order only and price will vary according to specifications. A fully equipped version with all the above features will cost just under

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VAT. This is about twice the price of the basic Daimler At present Jaguar Cars are

workforce of about 50. Since the 4.2 litre limousine was introduced 15 years ago, more than 3,330 have been built. The first office model

producing between four and

five Daimlers a week with a

## Tory leader backs **EEC** dairy quotas

From John Young Agriculture Correspondent. Oxford

Quotas were likely to be the only way of controlling the EEC's inexorably rising dairy surplus. Sir Henry Plumb. Conservative leader in the European Parliament and former president of the National Farmers' Union, told the Oxford Farming Conference vesterday.

Sir Henry said that five years ago he would have resisted quotas. They were blunt, interventionist instruments, did not boost sales, and left capacity

But alternatives were less acceptable. Levies on excess production descriminated against efficiency and incentives to switch from dairying had proved costly and ineffective.

The apparently simple solu-tion of reducing prices was likely to increase production, as farmers tried to maintain incomes. It was also politically impractical because it would icopardize small family farms

on the Continent.

However, Sir Henry said that quotas would work for grain. and he did not want them for pigs and poultry.

For cereals, the EEC had formulated production thre-sholds, above which the full price would no longer uaranteed.

## Tories line up against rate-capping

Continued from page 1
present standards of service. The council said: "Any cuts we make on top would take the plug out of the ship. We do not see why we should be punished for being efficient."

In a statement to yesterday's full council meeting, co-ordinating and finance committe chairman Mr William Dixon Smith said: "Patrick Jenkin himself, in a letter dated October 27, stated: 'I am glad that the consultants have confirmed that you are running tight and efficient ship."

"Essex does not overspend. Indeed the government grant related estimate assessment for Essex (the cost of providing a standard of service) is nearly £497m. Expenditure at that level would attract a grant penalty of £64.5 million."

Leading article, page 11

## Letter from Moscow

## Orwell recruited to the Soviet cause

The start of 1984 has highlighted a Soviet practice even Orwell did not think of the use for propaganda pur-poses of a book which officially does not exist. Russians are not allowed to read 1984 - it has never been published in the Soviet Union, and foreign editions are confiscated by Customs - yet the Soviet press is now discussing the book in an attempt to turn the tables on

To most Westerners it seems fairly obvious that 1984 is at least partly based on the Soviet Union. It is true that 1984 in 1948 inverted, and that Orwell's nightmare vision to some extent reflects the darker side of wartime Britain. It is also true that his warning applies to today's Western world, with computer memory banks and lie detectors.

But it was Stalin's Russia, where the secret police ruled through fear and citizens recited official slogans they knew to be nonsense, which provided the force and imagery of 1984. The book draws heavily, as Orwell acknowledged, on the work of the Russian writer Yevgeny Zamyatin, whose futurist fantasy, We, was published in the 1920s. Bernstein, Orwell's Enemy Number One, who provides Big Brother with the excuse for rigid internal discipline, is unmistakably Trotsky, whose real name was Bronstein, Regimented rallies, sexual repression, Newspeak and monolithic conformity are all instantly recognizable to those few Russians who manage to get hold of the book.

Hints that the Soviet authorities were planning to meet the dilemma posed by 1984 head on came last year, when Literary Gazette published an article suggesting the novel was really applicable to the West

Discussion of banned books poses problems for Soviet newspapers and journals: for one thing the writer has to give readers some idea of the content, which in turn carries the risk that the reader might draw his own conclusions. It is also possible that readers, instead of simply swallowing the propaganda line wholesale, will become fascinated by the vicarious taste of forbidden

take the bull by the horns is Novoye Vremya (New Times). which in its most recent issue told readers that Orwell's "sensational" novel was really a prediction of a militaristic Western world ruled by a megalomaniac, called Ronald Reagan. "For B.B. (Big Brother) read R.R. (Ronald Rea-

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gan)", the weekly suggests,
"Politologists" and "Orwellologists" have been poring
over globes ever since 1984 was published, the journal adds, and have been jabbing fingers at our country, asking is the great chiromancist's mediction being fulfilled in Russia or not?." But readers of 1984 have been "jabbing at the wrong spot" all this time.

Orwell, it seems, saw through the "falsehoods of bourgeois democracy," and anti-communists have been vainly trying for years to "fit the tight suit of totalitarianism cut by Orwell on to the body of real socialism, when in fact it is exactly the right size for capitalism.

Poor Orwell apparently only had "the vaguest notion" or communism (so much for Animal Farm and four volumes of collected journalism), and therefore failed to become a convinced adherent of the Soviet system, Novoye Vre mya said But he rightly saw that

capitalism "vaporized the individual", extinguishes extinguishes thought, demands continuous war and supresses knowledge of other philosophies. "Big Brothere had a super aim: to hold back the march of history," it commented. "Reagan has a grander aim: to stop nistory altogether by pressin a button.

The Soviet interpretation has spread to Eastern Europe where an East German pro fessor last week said that despite his "petty-bourgeois limitations" Orwell had correctly diagnosed the ills of

In the Soviet block at least it looks as if discussion of 1984 will last beyond this year, even at the risk that Soviet block citizens might recognize a system in which individuals are routinely humiliated by officialdom. love for the national leader is obligatory, indigestible jargon is endlessly repeated and heretical ideas are ruthlessly suppressed.

Richard Owen

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## Today's events

Royal engagements

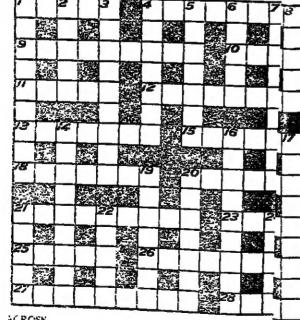
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New exhibitions

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Works by Keith Grant; Browse and Darby, 19 Cork Street, W1; The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16. Mon to Fri 10 to 5.30 Sat 10.30 to 1 (until Feb 4). Paintings by Karen Lamb; The Talent Store gallery, 11 Ecclestone Street, SWI Mon to Fri 9.30 to 5.30

funtil Jan 23t Paintings and drawings by Anne Urophart. Chalk Farm Gallery, Chalk Farm Road. NWI. Tues to Sun 10 to 5.30 (Until Feb 5).

Music Concert by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, with Jin Li, (violin), Plymouth, 7.30. Concert by the Halle Orchestra, Free Trade Hall, Peter Street, Manchester, 7.30.

Concert by the Belfast Baroque Consort. St Patrick's Church, Concert by an ensemble of hornes, voices and harp from the Opera North, City Art Gallery, The

Headrow, Leeds, 1.05. Concert by the Scottish National Orchestra, Caird Hall, Dundee, 7.30. Talks, lectures in London Greek and Roman athletics, 11.30, and Erruscan tombs and cemeteries, 1.15, both by Anne Pearson. The British Museum, Great Russell Street, WC1.

Introduction to manuscript illumination, 12: and English Book Painting. 2. both by Penelope K. Wallis, The British Library, Great Parall Street West Russell Street, WC1.
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Fear, by Simon Wilson. The Tale-Gallery, Millbank, SW1-1. Four centuries of British cer-Deviation causing panie mics: Techniques and materials, by 45 was the nag amptown Gillian Darby, Victoria and Albert Museum, SW7, 1.15. to it gives injections use stiff

Women in eighteenth century French Art, by Frances Borzello, Lower Floor Theatre, National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, WC2, 1, The The Media gets the message, by-Peter Fiddick. Dunamis at St James's Piccadilly, W1. 6.30.

## Anniversaries

ground (5).
24 The sticking-out to fasten Births: Alexander Hamilton, American statesman, Nevis, West Indies, 1755; Sir John A. Macdo-nald, first prime minister of Canada, 1867-73, 1878-91, Glasgow, 1815; George Nathaniel, first Marquess Curzon of Kedleston, viceroy of India, 1898-1905, Kedleston Hall, Derbyshire, 1859; Harry Gordon Selfridge founder of the store of that name. Ripon, Wisconsin, 1858. Deaths: Sir Hans Sloane, physician and naturalist whose collec-tion formed the basis of the British Museum. London 1753. Louis François Rombillac, sculptor, London, 1762: Domenico Cimarosa, composer, Venice, 1801: Friedrich Schegel, writer, Dresden, 1829; Georges Eugène Haussmann, planned rebuilding of Paris, 1853-70, Paris, 1891; Thomas Hardy, Dorchester, 1928.

## New books - hardback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week:
Cockcroft and the Atom, by Guy Hartcup and T. E. Alibone (Adam Hilger,
Bristol, 118.95)
Inside Local Government, A case for radical reform, by Alex Henney (Sincleir
Browne, £12.95)
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artists; Institute of Contemporary Arts. Nash House, The Mail, SW1; Tues to Sun 12 to 9, (until Feb 12)

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Taking it like a Women, by Ann Oakley (Cape, £7.95)
The Fire of Liberty, by Esmond Wright (Hamish Hamilton, £9.95)
The Nuclear Detusion, Soviet-American relations in the Atomic Age, by George
F. Kennan (Hamish Hamilton, £12.50)

## Roads

Midlands: A53: Temporary sig-nals on St John's Road, Buxton, Derbyshire. A61: Temporary signals at Whitnington Moor, Chesterfield. Derbyshire. A34: Contraflow system in operation at Stongford, between Stone and Newcastle-under-Lyme

Wales and West: A38: Traffic restrictions at West Street, Bed-minster, Bristol, M4: Lane closures at junction 32 (Cardiff) and junction 34 (Llantriant) 34 (Liantrisant). A470: Lane closures at Glynntaff, Mid Glamorgan, between Cardiff and Brecon. Temporary traffic signals at Cefn-

Cood y-Cymmer.

North: Liverpool: Queensway
Tunnel closed nightly; all traffic is
being diverted via the LiverpoolWallasey tunnel between 9.15pm Wallasey tunnel between 9.15pm and 5.45am. A575: Major sewer scheme at Egerton Street, Farn-worth, Greater Manchester, diversions, AI(M): Painting work at Peareth Hall, Washington, Tyne and Wear, lane closures. Scotland: A84: Bus layby con-

Scatland: A84: Bus layby construction at Laurencecroft, Stirling; intermittent traffic control. A9: Kerbing work at Causewayhead Road, Stirling; intermittent traffic control. A82: Road realignment south of Drumadrocht, Invernessouth of Art. Road, reconstruction. shire. A7: Road reconstruction south of Selkirk, Selkirkshire; single lane traffic with temporary traffic lights.

Information supplied by the AA.

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Canada S	1.81	1.7
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Finland Mkk	12,42	11.9
France Fr	4.10	3.91
Germany DM	166.00	156.00
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Netherlands Gld	4.61	4.38
Norway Kr	11.58	10.98
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The papers "If Aladdin were alive today, his cave would probably be a solicitor's office and his partner Sir David office and ms partner sir David Napley", says the Daily Mirror, commenting on the £3\_131 cost to West Yorkshire County Council, which had to pay for the inquest on Which had to pay to the inducts of Helen Smith, the nurse who died in Saudi Arabia. of Sir David's services. Sir David was solicitor for Dr Richard Arnot, at whose party

"Sir David's bill gives vivid new meaning to the phrase about sparing no expense," says the paper, which itemizes the bill, under the headline, Nice work".

The Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung yesterday commented that while the British Government can point to successes of its economic policy, the British public is not

impressed.

"The prophecy will probably be fulfilled that Britain will challenge Thatcher's leadership as soon as sho has led the country out of the woods. The Conservatives' loss of popularity probably has a good deal to do with fashionable trends. Fleet Street speculation, political bore-dom after the election fever. But also an abundance of mistakes, a lack of ideas and a tendency towards nervous self-observation cannot be ignored," the paper said.

The military coup in Nigeria vesterday came in for criticism in the East African press this week. The Weekly Review of Nairobi asked: "... Is Africa to be subjected to an endless series of short-lived experiments in democracy because Africa's men in uniform lack the patience to put up with the pains that inevitably accompany the growth of democratic institutions?

"Democracy in Africa is like a baby who is learning to walk. It makes no sense whatsoever to chop a baby's head off because the baby is

incapable of running or doing other things expected of an adult. The Dally Nation said Nigeria's new leader. Major General Mohammed Buhari and his colleagues cited Nigeria's endemic corruption and mismanagement of public funds to justify their ousting of President Shagari. "Yet corrup-tion did not begin with Shagari's True, Shagari and his team

failed to come to grips with the problem. But they tried, and they knew that their continued failure was raising public ire. They knew, ioo, that unless they succeeded in curbing corruption they could be thrown out by the electorate during

"The military rulers don't face those problems

## Weather forecast

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N Wales, NE, NW England, Lake District, late of Man, Border, Edinburgh and Dundee: Occasional rain, sunny intervals and showers developing; wind SW, veering W, fresh to strong; max temp 7C to 9C (45 to 48F).

Aberdeen, Glasgow, central Highlands, Moray Fith, SW, NE, NW

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(43 to 46F), becoming colder during day.
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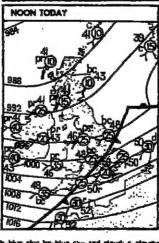
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